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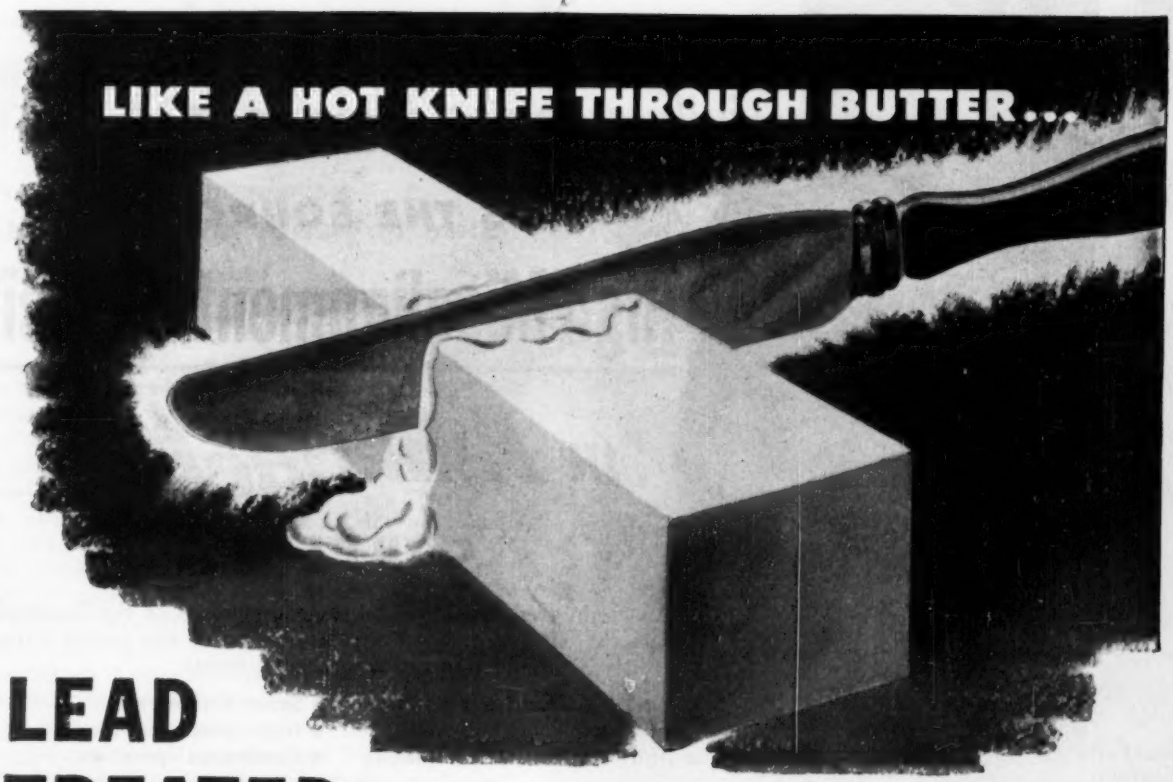

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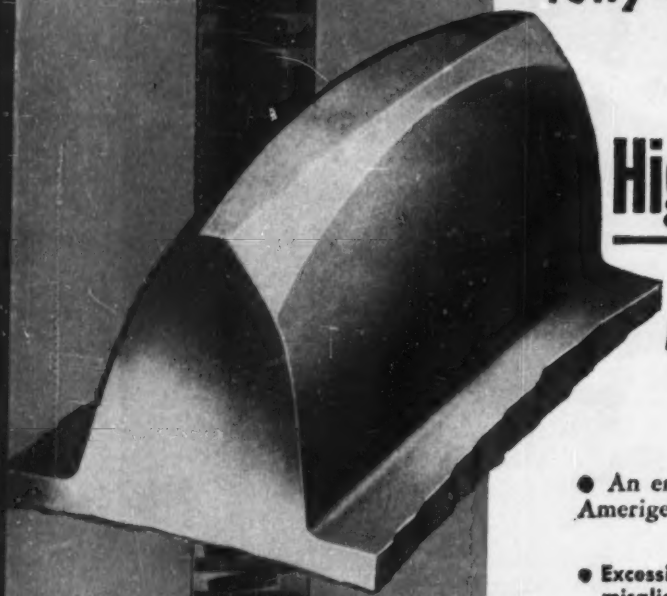

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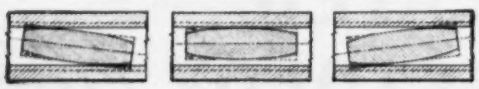

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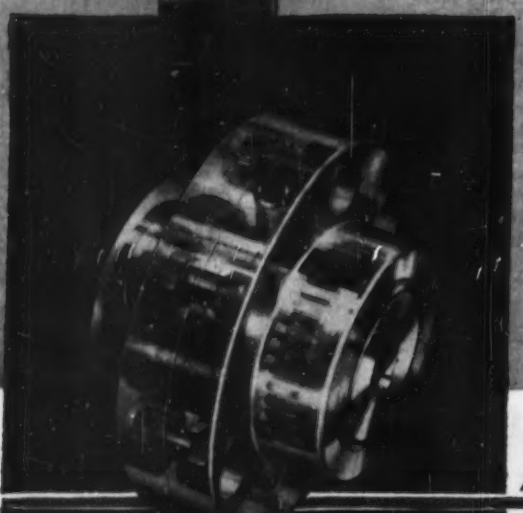

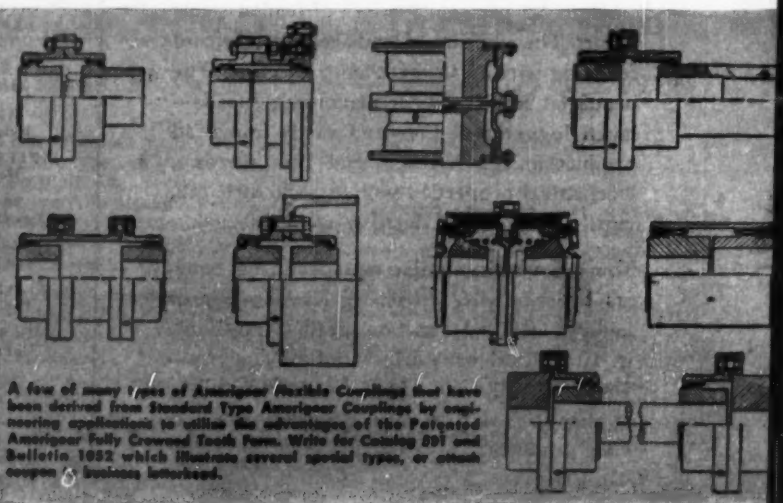

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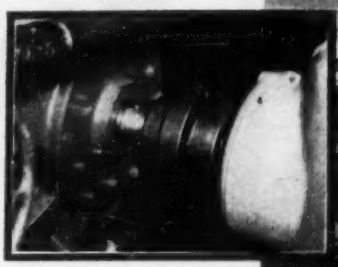

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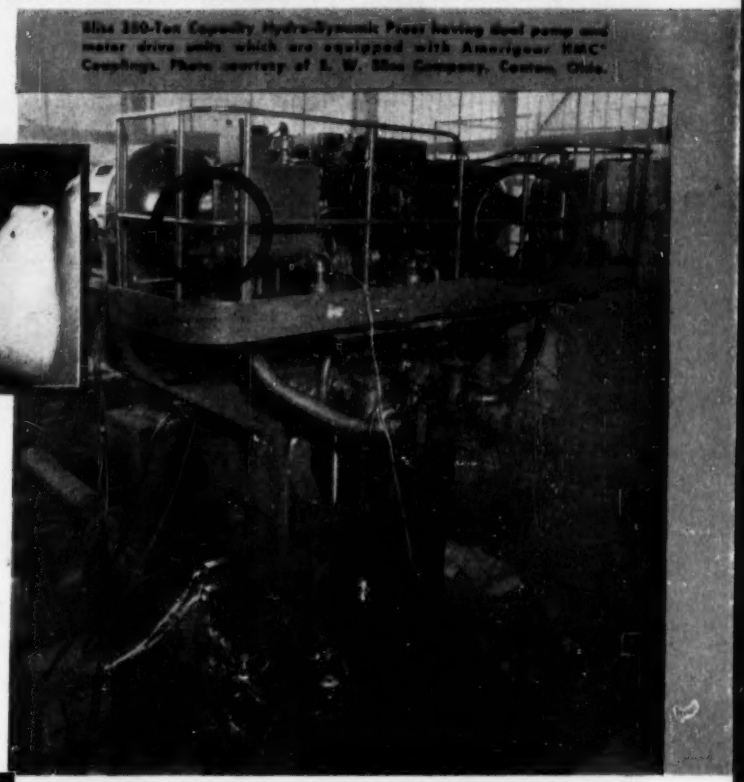
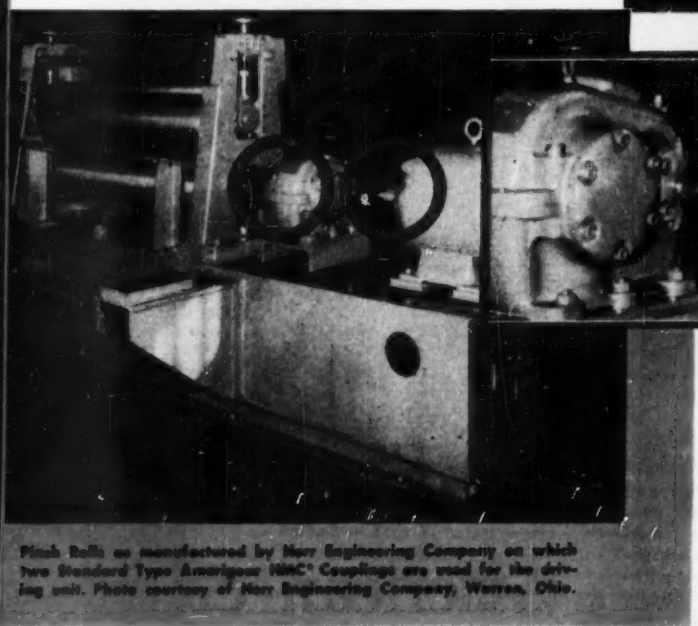


Bliss 350-Ton Capacity Hydro-Dynamic Press having steel pump and motor drive units which are equipped with Amerigear HMC* Couplings. Photo courtesy of E. W. Bliss Company, Canton, Ohio.



Pinch Rolls as manufactured by Herr Engineering Company on which two Standard Type Amerigear HMC* Couplings are used for the driving unit. Photo courtesy of Herr Engineering Company, Warren, Ohio.

One of several applications of Standard Type Amerigear HMC* Couplings installed on Pinch Rolls manufactured by Herr Engineering Company. In this application two Amerigear HMC* Couplings are used; one on the rotating shaft between the motor and the gear reducer, and another between the gear reducer and the roll end. Herr Engineering also use Standard Types of Amerigear HMC* Couplings for their Pay-off Reels, Take-up Reels, Slitters and other steel finishing equipment. In this application Amerigear HMC* Couplings with Patented Tooth Form are transmitting power under shock loading conditions. They minimize the effect of any lateral or angular misalignment which may occur, thereby reducing maintenance costs to an all-time low.

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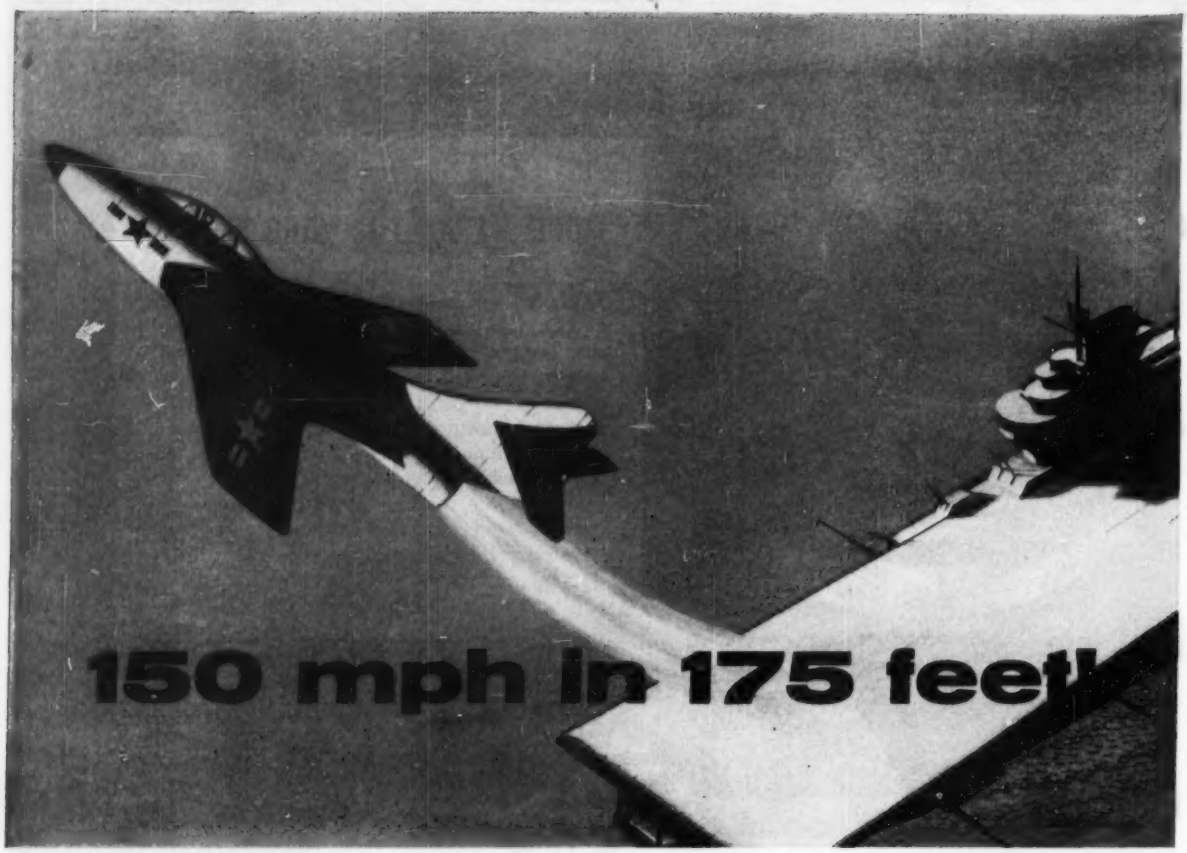

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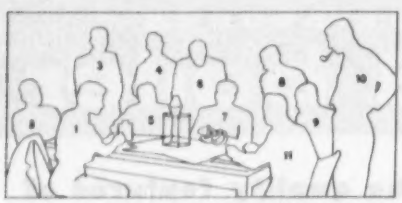

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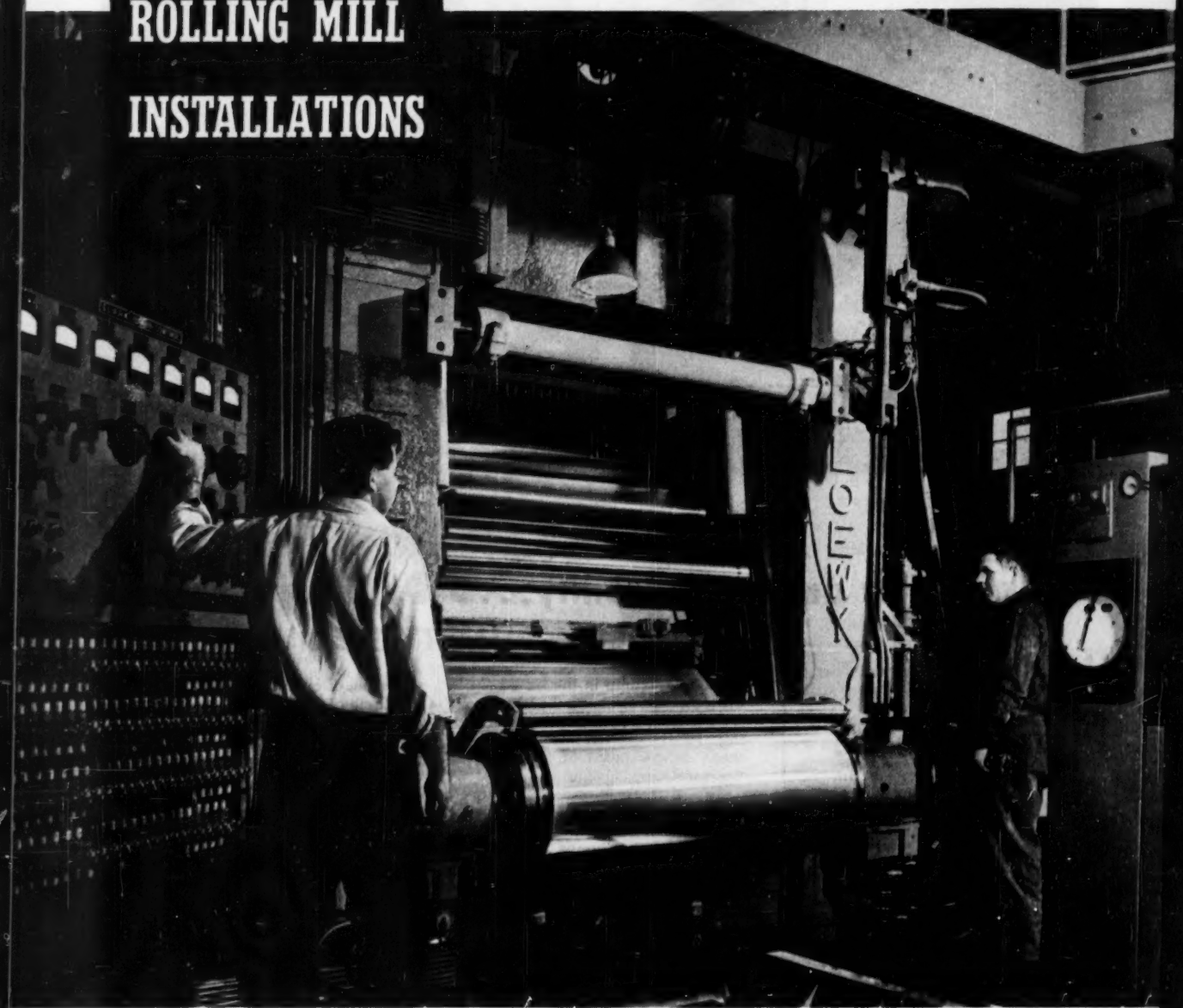

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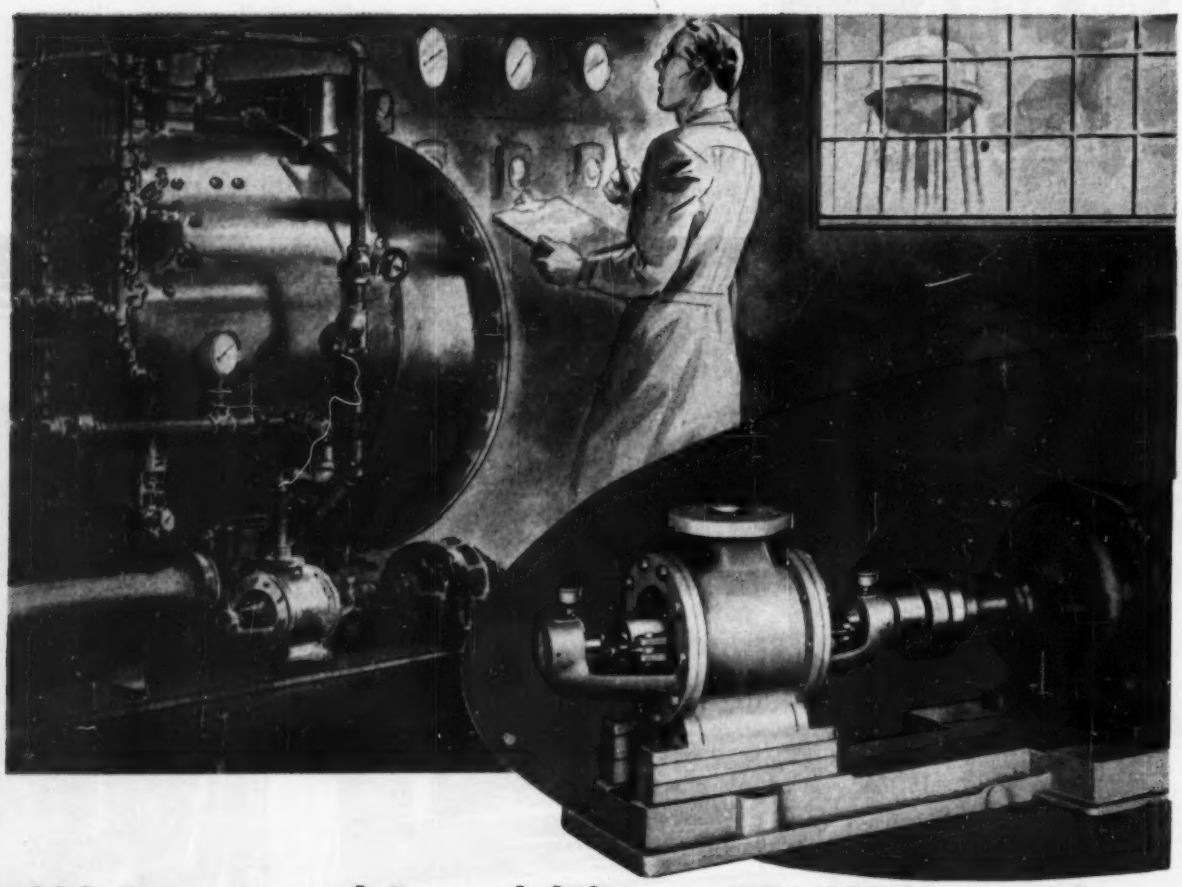

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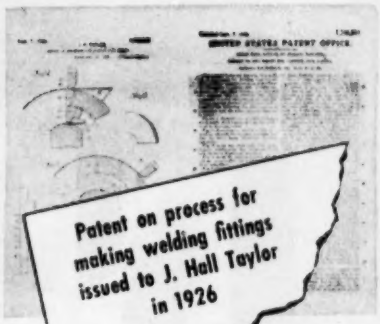

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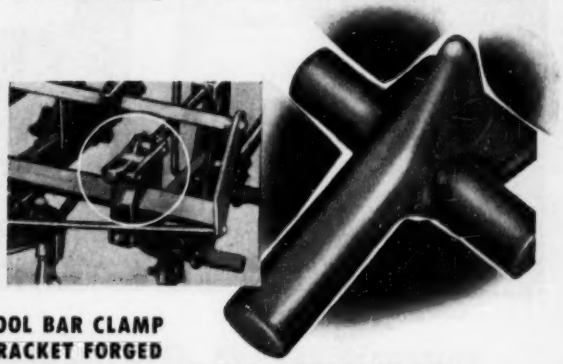

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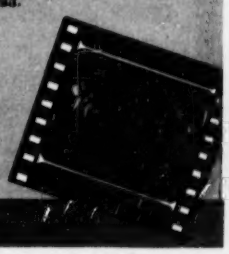

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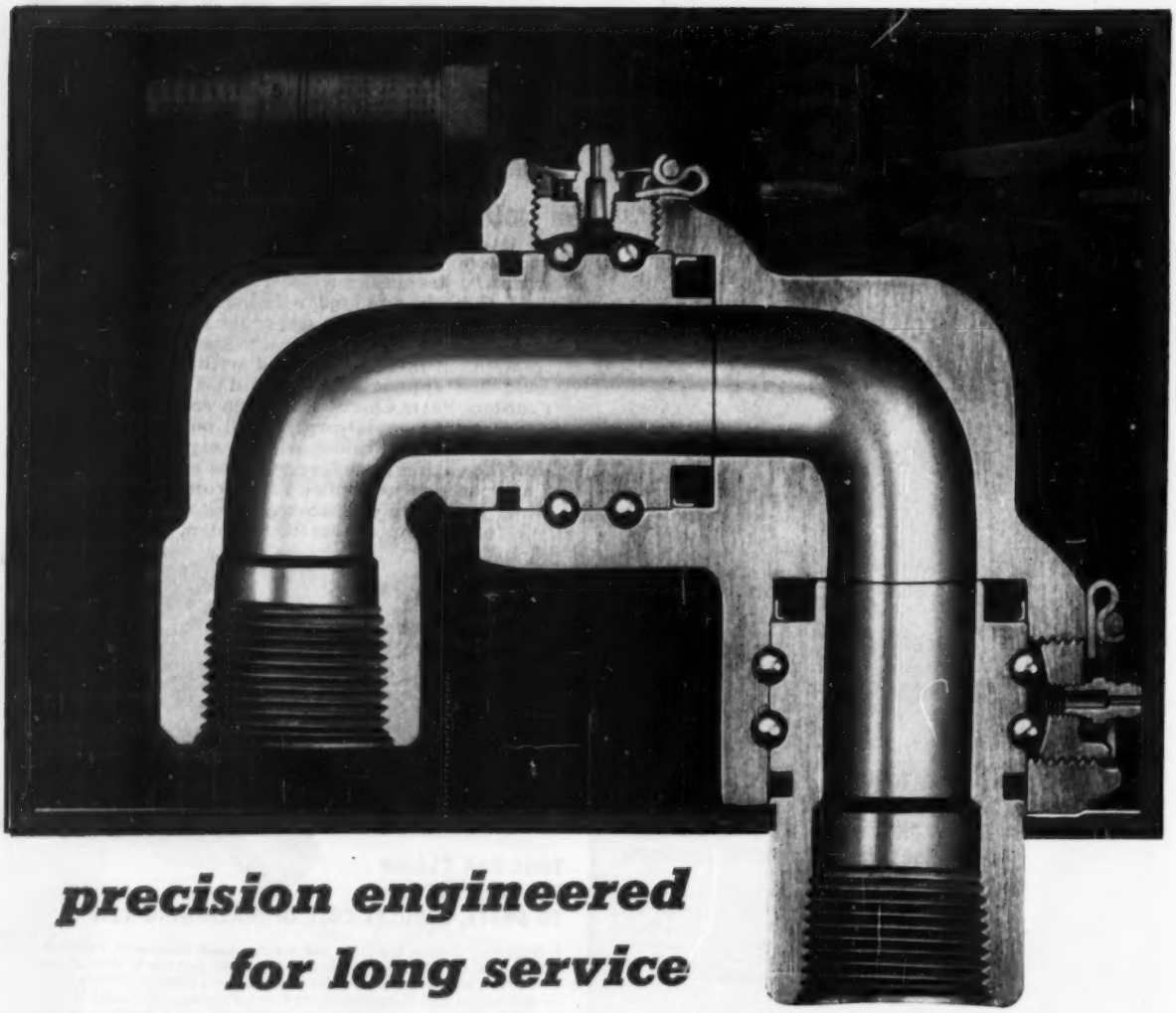

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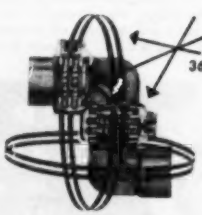

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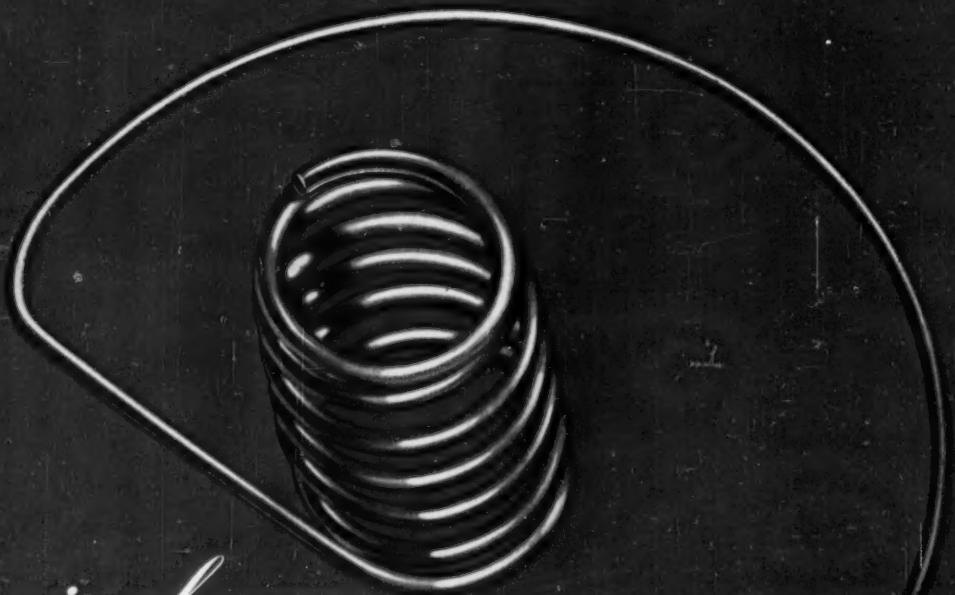

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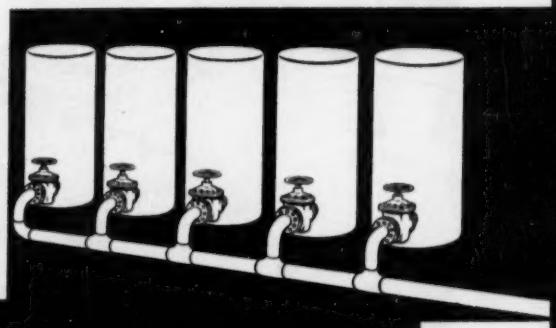

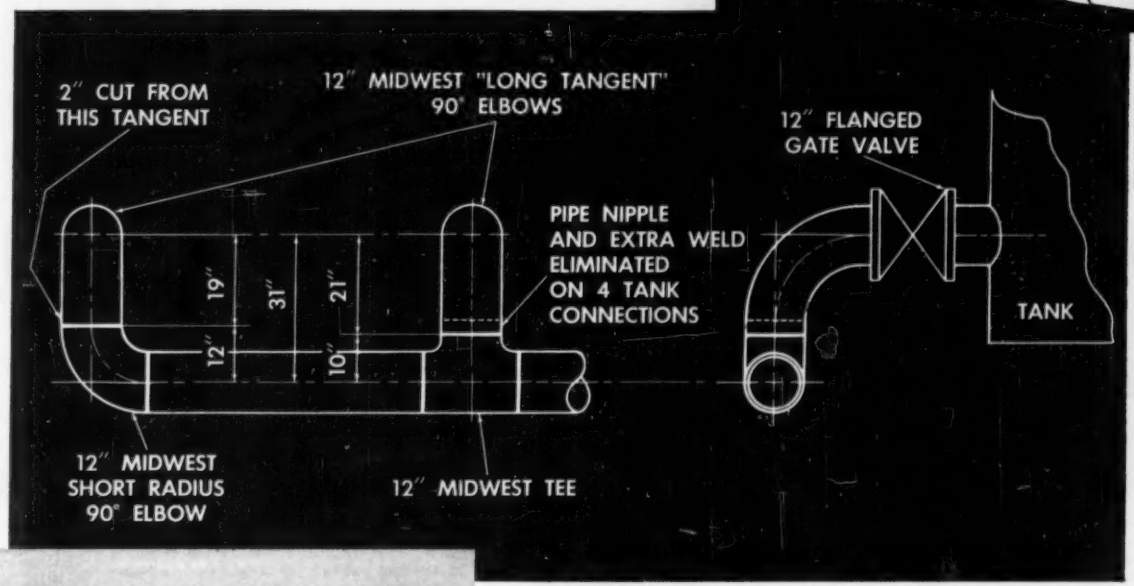

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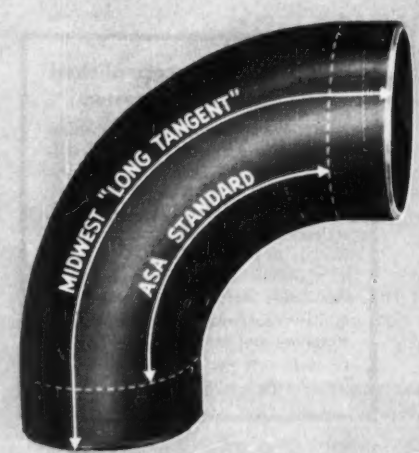

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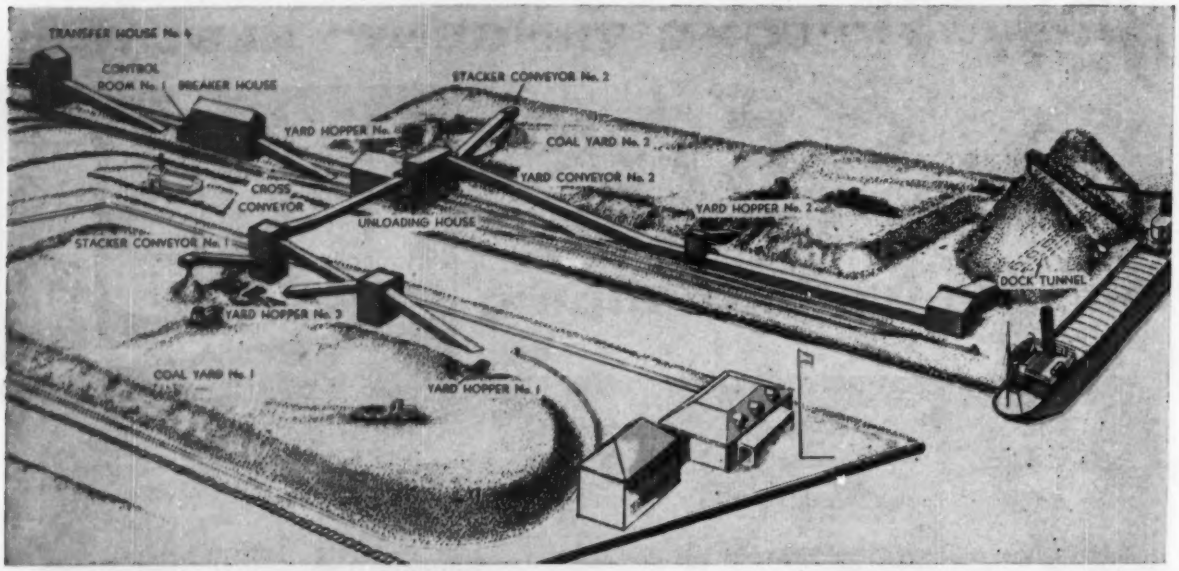

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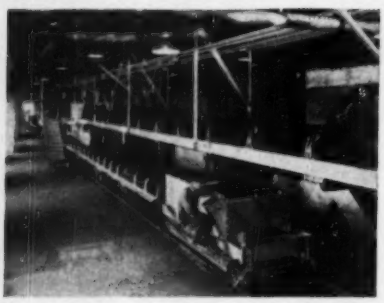

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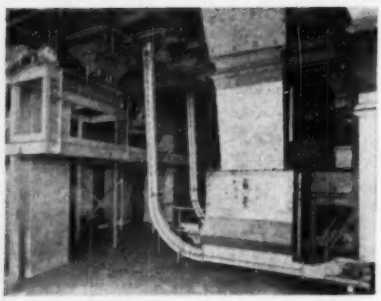

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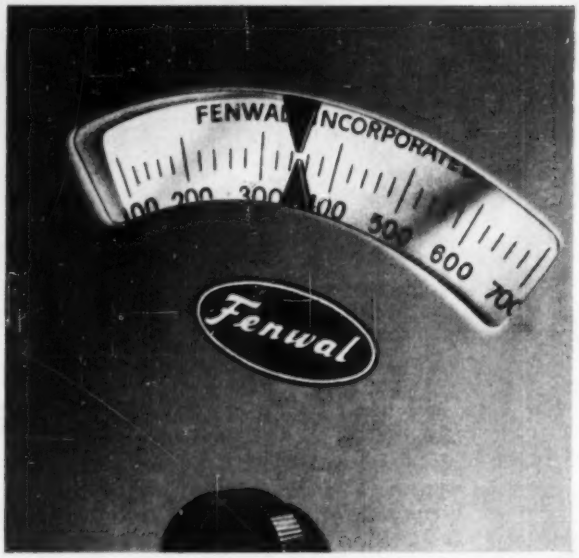

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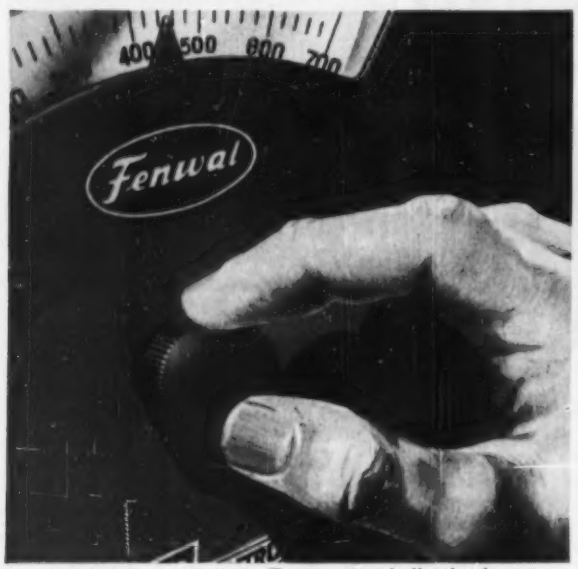

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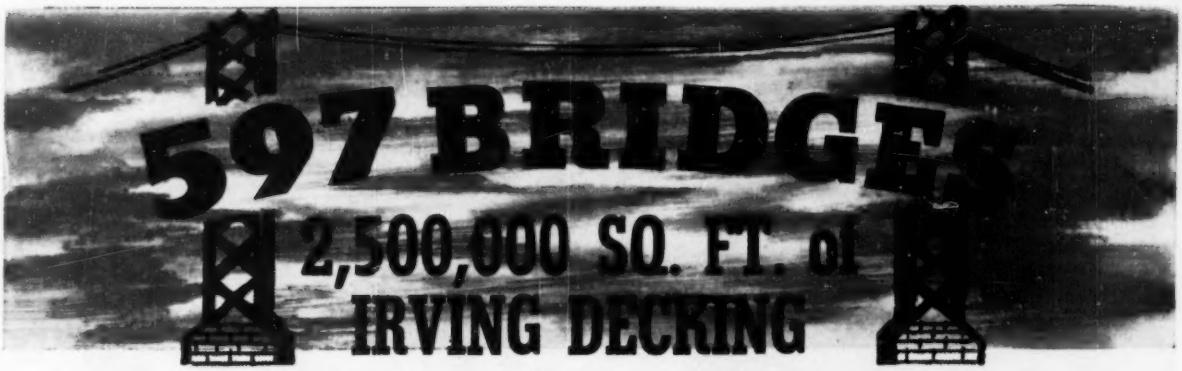

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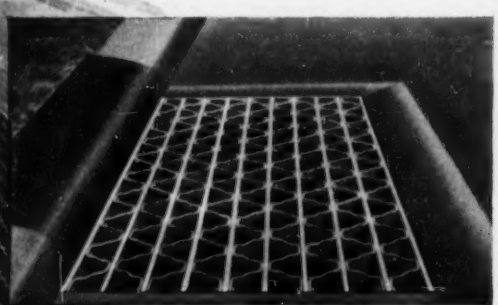

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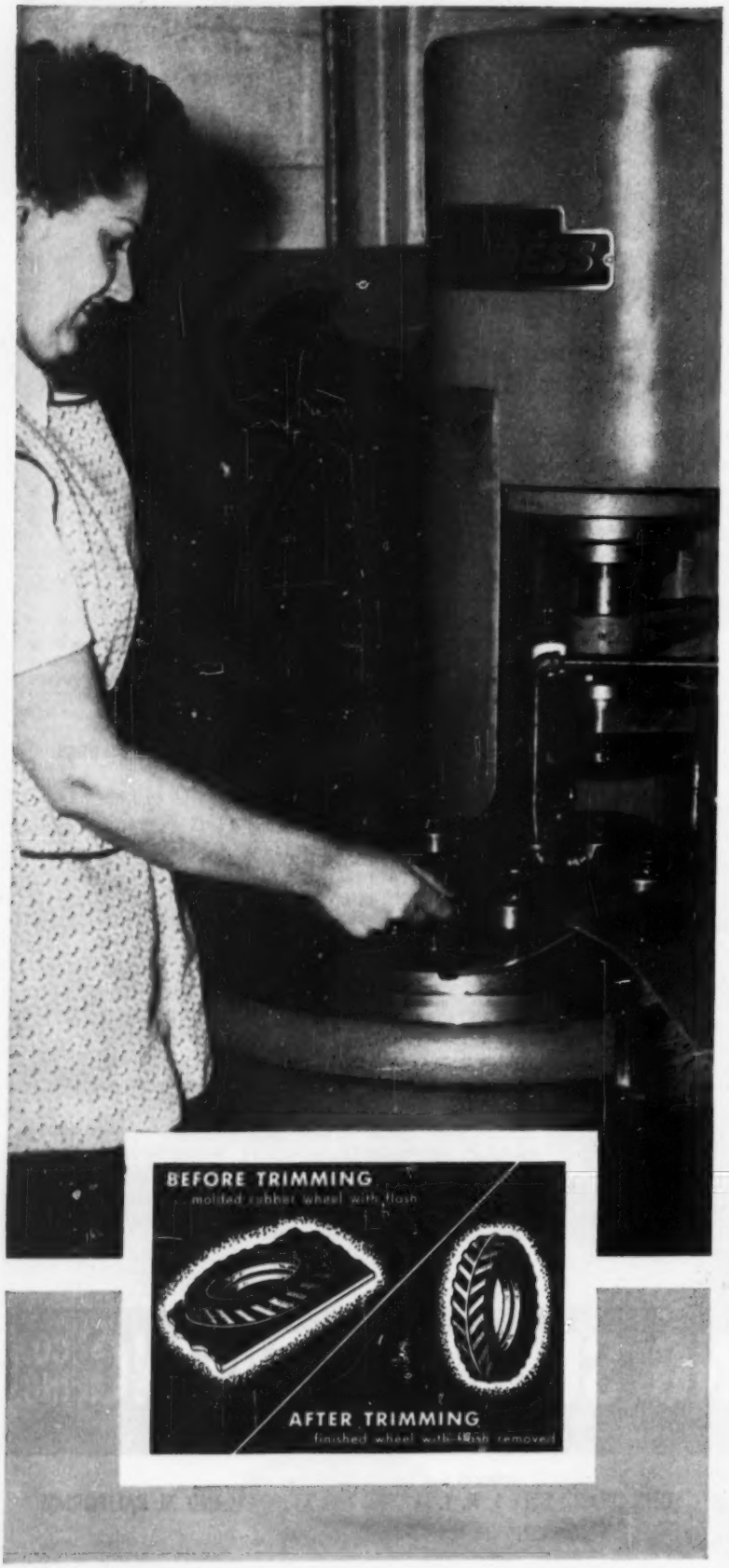

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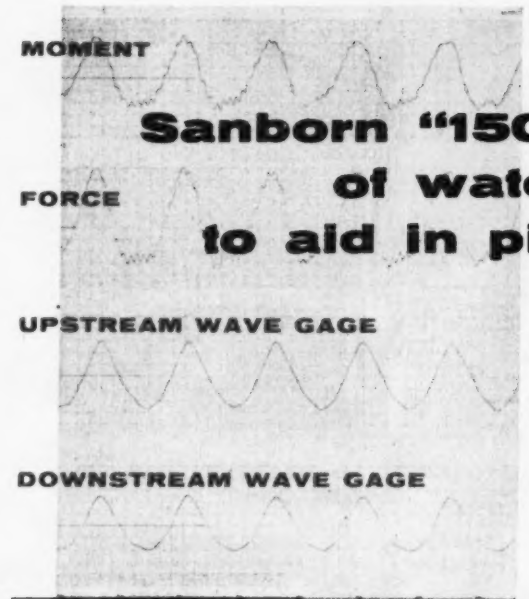

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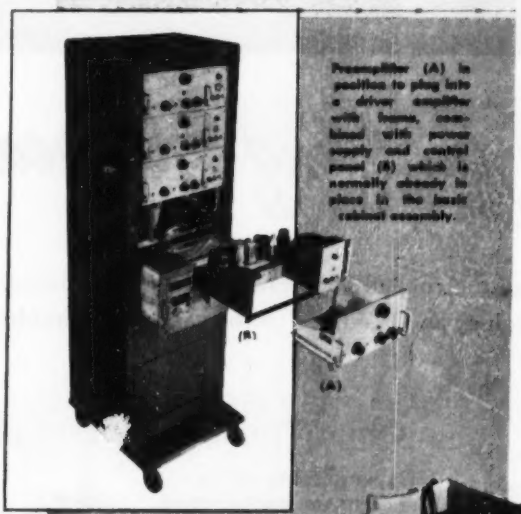

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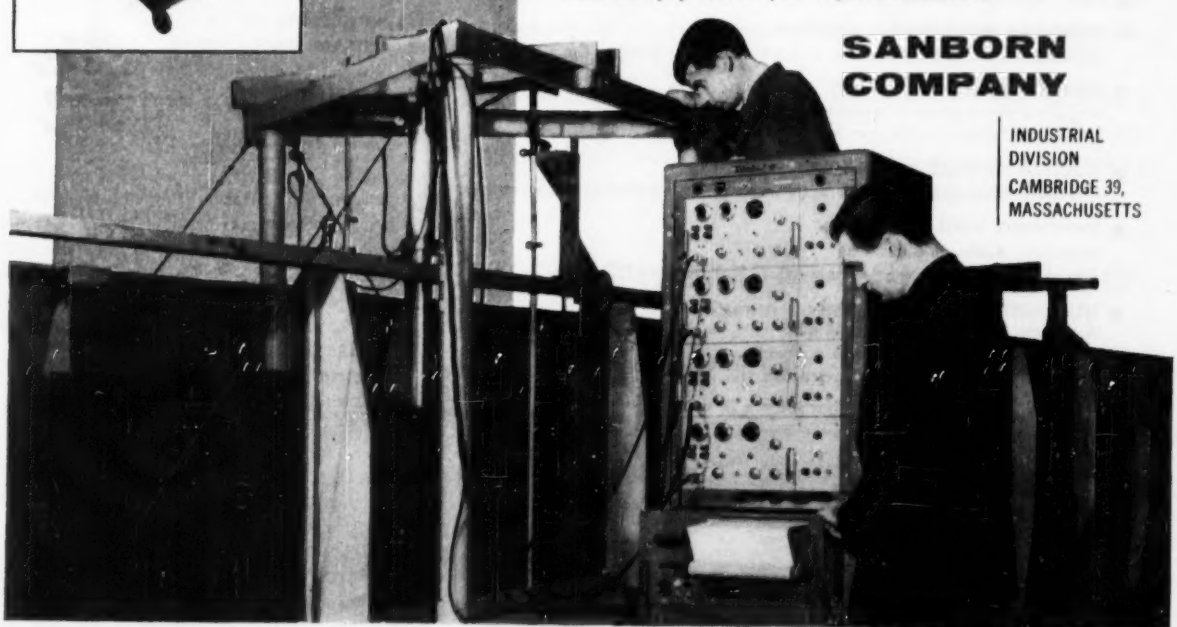

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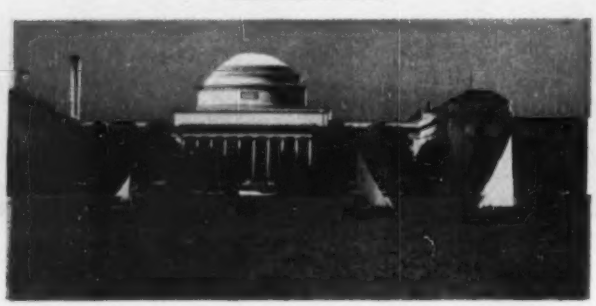

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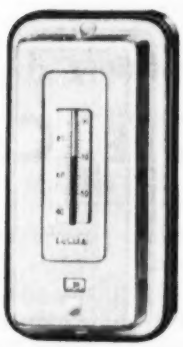

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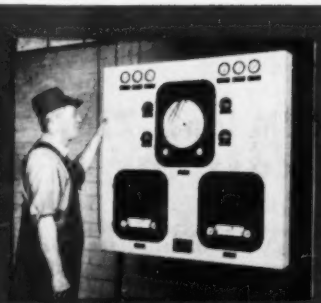

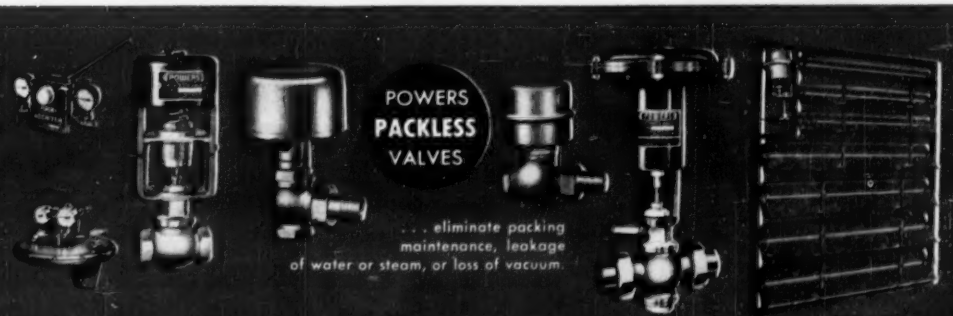

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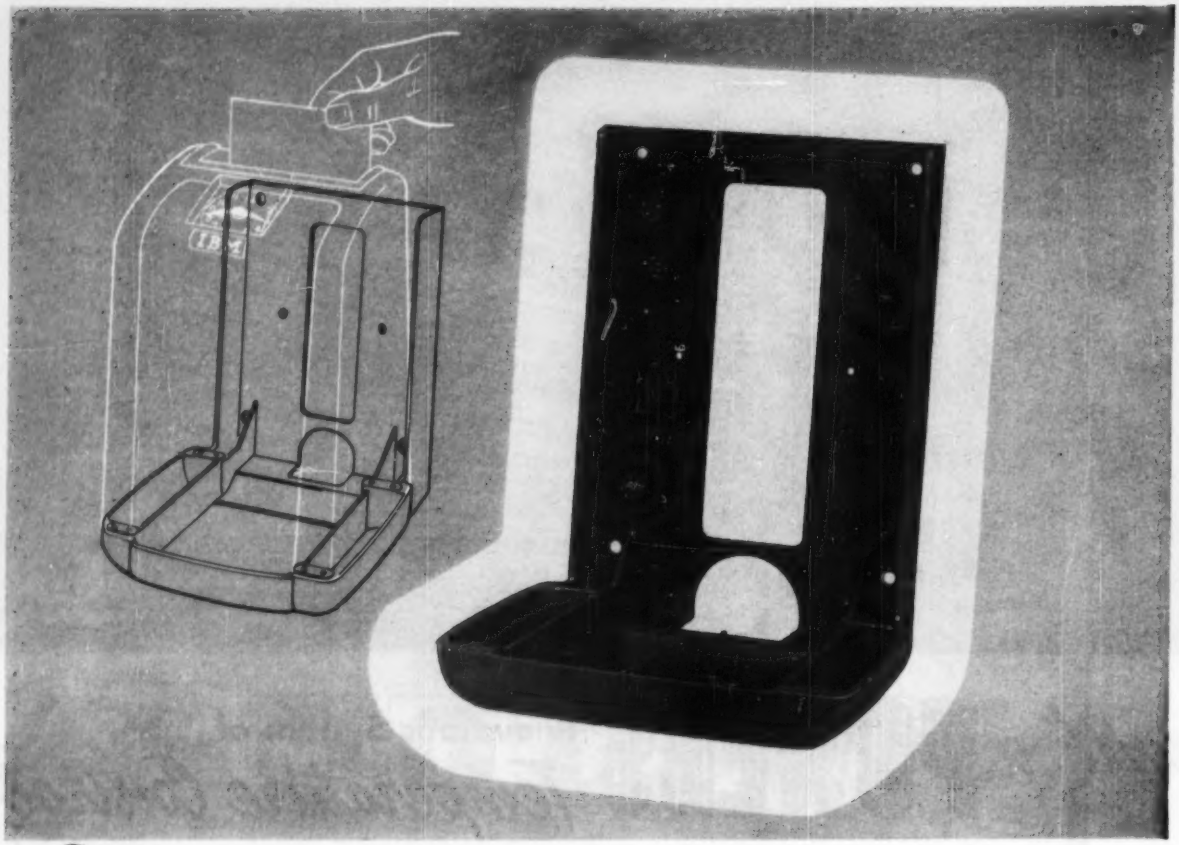

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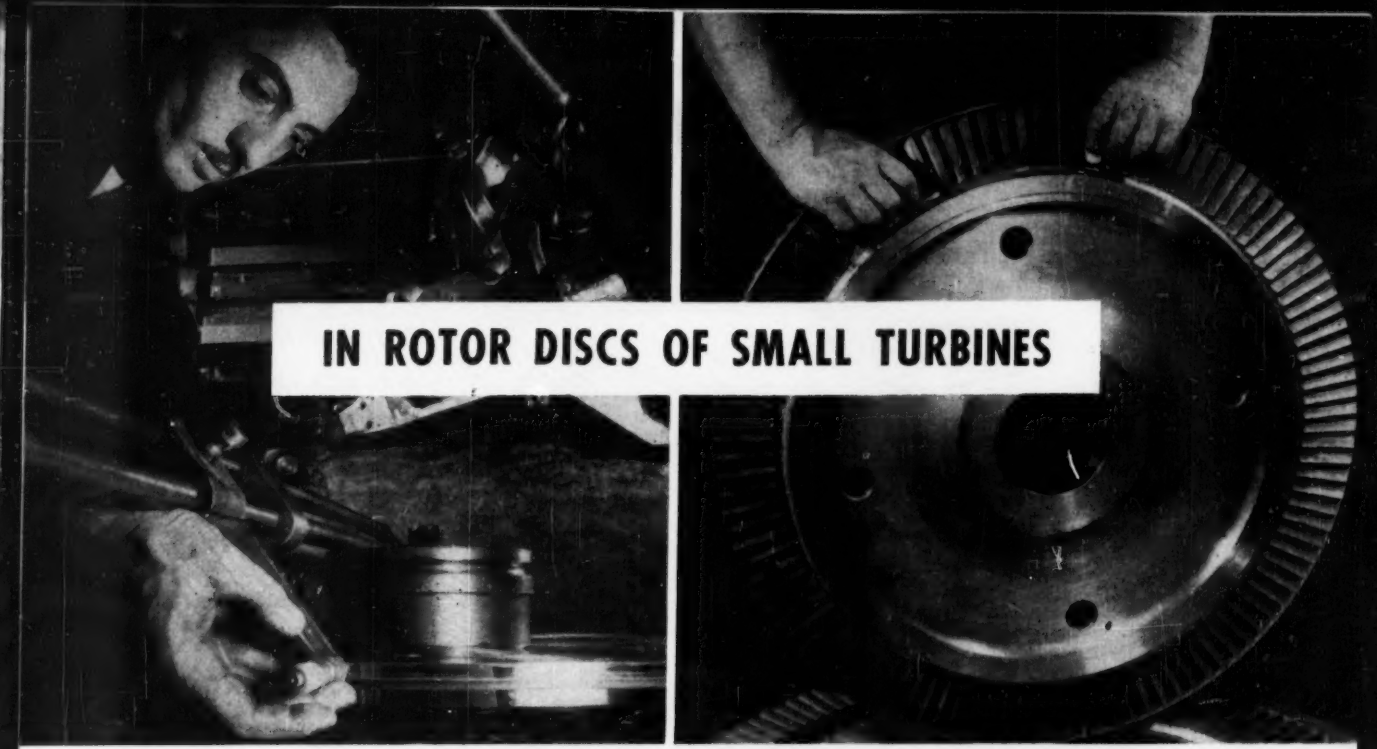

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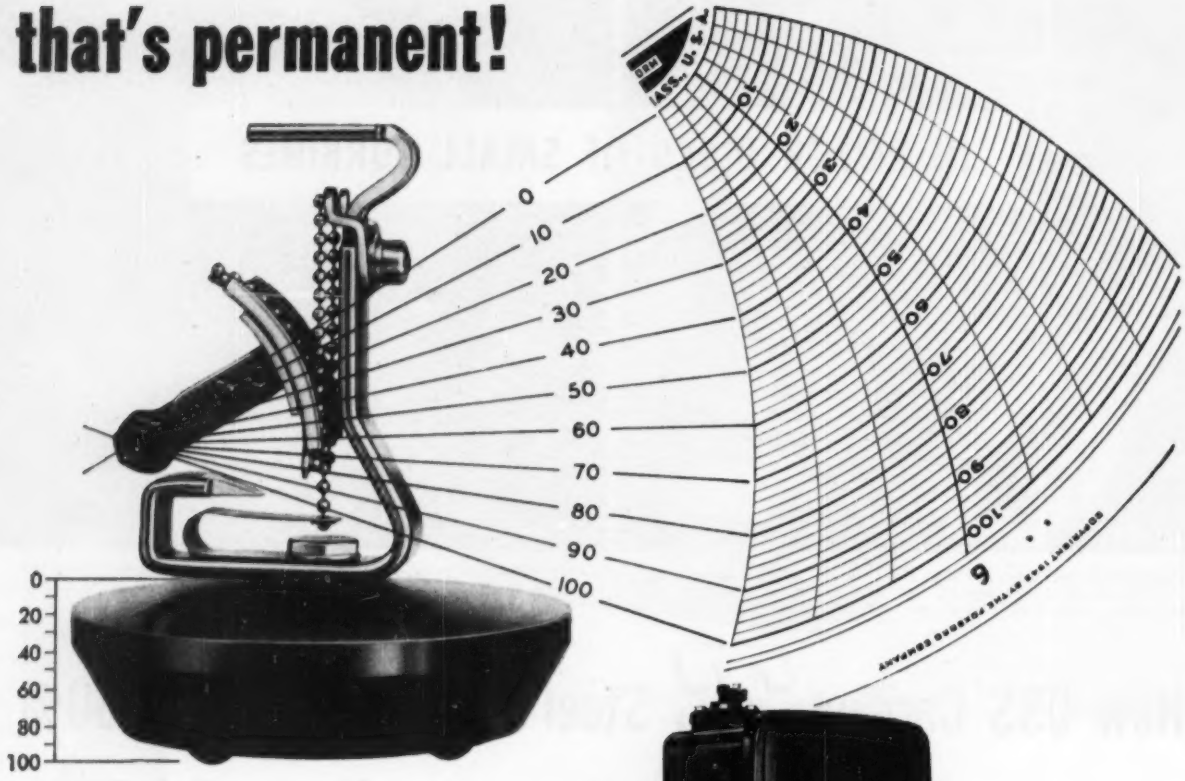

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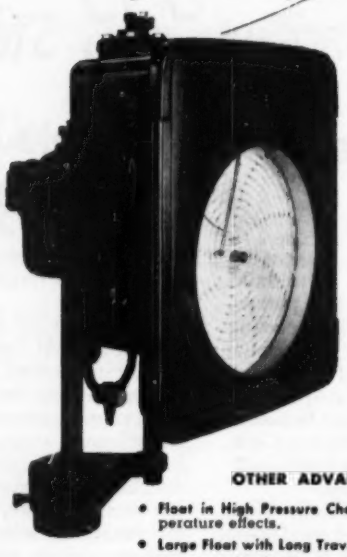

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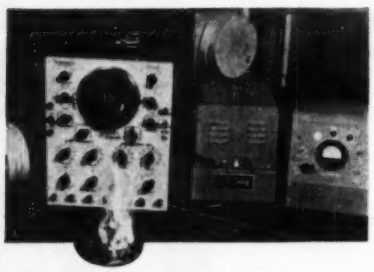

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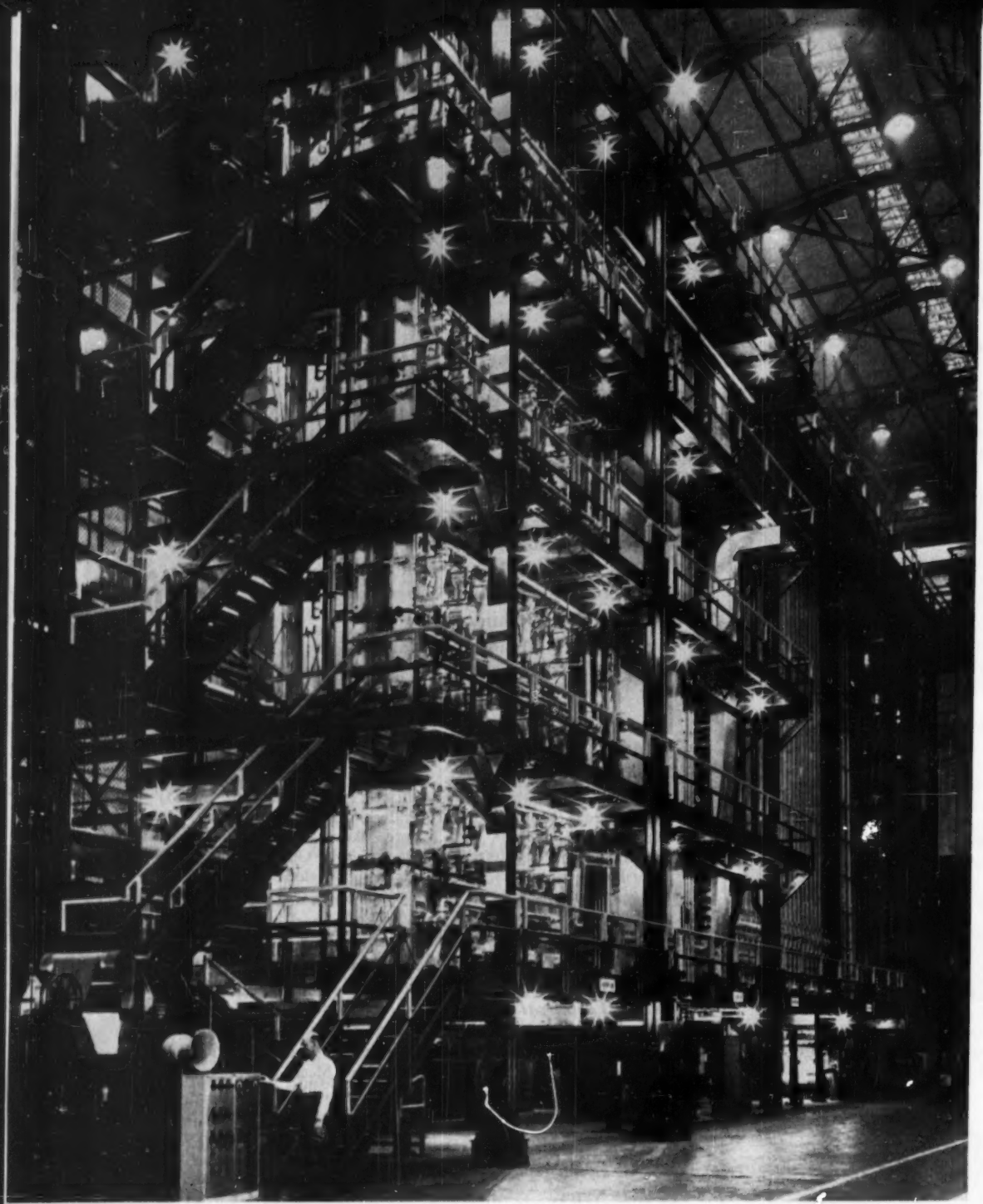

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Editorial

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

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After 75 Years

BY THE TIME these brief comments are read, The American Society of Mechanical Engineers will have held its seventy-fifth annual meeting and will have embarked upon a year of celebration of its seventy-fifth anniversary.

Impressive changes have marked the passage of time since November, 1880, when the first ASME meeting was held. Among these many changes are two which affect the engineer most intimately. They are the spectacular growth of technology and engineering which the intervening years have witnessed, and the public recognition which the engineer has won as a result of this growth and its impact on the material well-being of his fellow men.

The engineer himself will be among the first to admit that the achievements with which he is credited were not the results of his efforts alone. For without the contributions of innumerable other persons—the scientists on the one hand, and a skilled and responsive labor force on the other, to name but two—all working in an expanding economy based on free institutions and free men—he would not have been able to exercise so effectively that catalytic influence typical of his profession. What the engineer has accomplished has been, in the words used by the Founders of the Society, diligently to promote "the arts and sciences connected with engineering and mechanical construction," and by success in that endeavor to command the recognition of the public.

If one were to compare the subject matter of the papers presented at the first ASME Annual Meeting with that to be found on the program of the seventy-fifth meeting—or, in fact, with the subject matter of this current issue of MECHANICAL ENGINEERING—he would find those contrasts that reflect the growth in technology which the intervening years have recorded. For example, there was much talk in 1880 of steam and even electrical power, but not a hint of atomic energy. High tribute was paid to the semiautomatic textile machines of the day, but there is no evidence that anyone seriously considered a grouping of metal-forming machines through which a workpiece could progress from its rough to its finished state. The economic significance of high productivity was clearly recognized, but no one had proposed the automatic factory. Indicating instruments had been in use for hundreds of years, but few if any recording and regulating instruments were known and there was but scant development of the field of instrumentation. Mechanical devices were numerous and ingenious, but electrical and electronic devices were yet to come. Bessemer steel was recognized as a great boon to industry, but most engineering materials were much the same as they had been for years, and aluminum, magnesium, vanadium, and a host of other metals and countless varieties of plastics and synthetic substances were laboratory curiosities or quite unknown. Great pride was taken in steam transportation by land and sea, but the steam turbine, the diesel engine, the automobile, the airplane, and the jet engine were yet to come.

Without derogation of the long list of able and distinguished men who have served ASME as president, it may be wondered if any one of their addresses has come quite so close to the ideal or can today be read with such profit and satisfaction as the address delivered at the first ASME Annual Meeting by the first President, Robert H. Thurston. If one were to compare the objectives and ideals and the means of attaining them with those stated in the current By-Laws of the Society, the differences he would find would be mostly in the words by which they are expressed. And if one were to compare Thurston's vision of the position of influence in the life of the nation that an engineer might aspire to, he would again find those areas in which we today would like to see members of the profession actively engaged. Technology changes, yes, but the goals, the ideals, the vision of what may be if only we can bring it to pass, remain very much the same as those of 1880.

Fortunate indeed is a professional society the pattern of whose history was set by a man of vision, of high ideals, and of sound engineering competence, and whose policy it has been since the start to form an association of men of high qualities, character, promise, and achievement. An anniversary affords an appropriate opportunity to take stock of the past and to plan farsightedly for the future. It is also a time for rededication of those now active in its affairs to the preservation of the heritage of the past. As Dr. Thurston said 75 years ago:

"We are now called upon to do our part in the work so well begun by our predecessors and so splendidly carried on by our older colleagues during the past generation . . . . Every member of the engineering profession has his share of this work, not only in his private capacity, but as a member of a great body of men of kindred pursuits, each of whom may be called upon to give to his neighbor of his own light, and to assist in promoting the general welfare."

Problems of the

Thermal Barrier

- *Over-All Effects*
- *Effects on Systems*
- *Effects on Airframes*

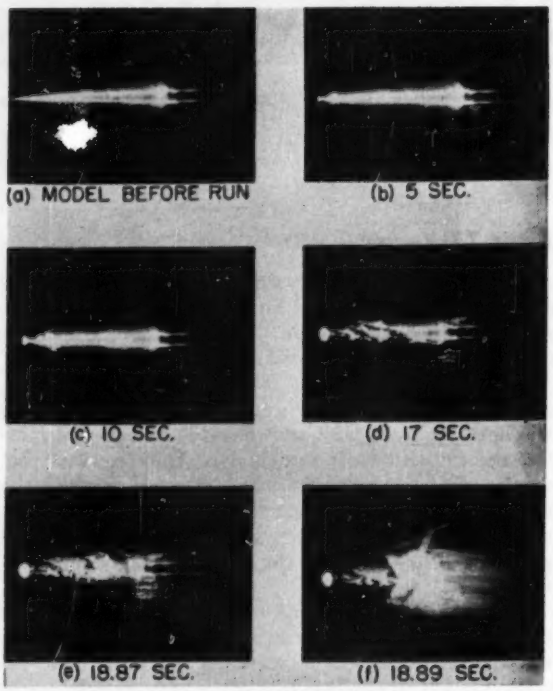

Fig. 2 Melting of a thin shell model in a wind tunnel due to aerodynamic heating at Mach 6.9 (McLellan)

SURROUNDING a moving aircraft is a relatively thin boundary layer of air in which the still air is accelerated to the velocity of the aircraft. The heating associated with the frictional effects in the boundary layer is rapidly dissipated in subsonic flight. In supersonic flight the effects become noticeable but are generally of little importance below Mach 2 because of the fact that flights usually are made in the stratosphere where the ambient temperature is —67 F under standard conditions. Beyond Mach 2 the effects become progressively more severe—the thermal barrier has been broached.

High temperatures are not entirely a new problem to aircraft. They have long plagued designers of gas turbines and have affected the airframe near engines and thermal deicing equipment. At speeds beyond 1500

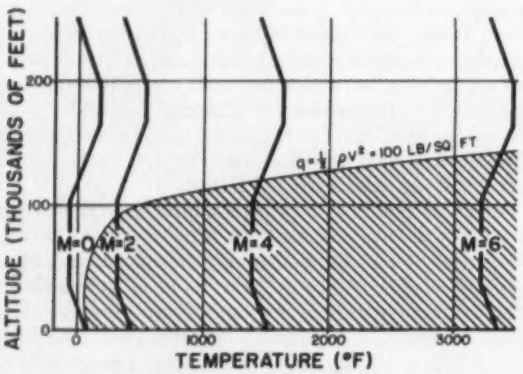

Fig. 1 The variation of temperature versus altitude at Mach numbers up to 6 are the nearly vertical lines. The temperature variation with altitude at Mach 0 is the NACA standard temperature. At higher Mach numbers the temperature versus altitude curves are simply displaced to the right, indicating that the temperature rise does not vary with altitude but only with Mach number. The temperature plotted is the temperature of the layer of air passing over the skin of the aircraft and is assumed to be 88 per cent of the stagnation temperature. It is apparent from these figures that we can't get away from high temperatures by flying higher. The possible flight limits for future supersonic aircraft are also shown by the curve, $q = \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2$, plotted at the altitude at which an airplane with a wing loading of 100 lb per sq ft would stall with a lift coefficient of 1. No reasonably proportioned airplane is likely to fly above this altitude (Adams).

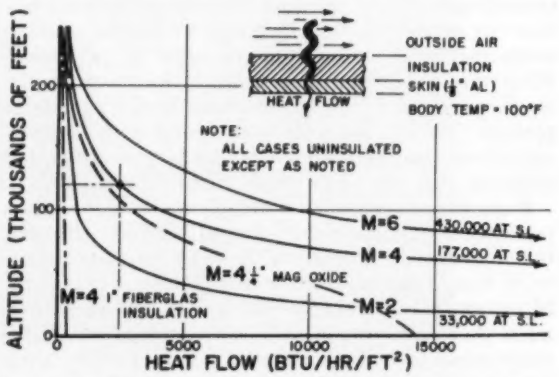

Fig. 3 The heat input into the airplane as a function of altitude for Mach Numbers 2, 4, and 6. At Mach 4, for example, the heat input at 120,000 ft, about 2000 Btu/hr/sq ft, is only a little over 1 per cent of the heat input at sea level, or 177,000 Btu/hr/sq ft. The dotted curves show the effect of insulating the outside skin of the aircraft. At Mach 4, $\frac{1}{4}$-in. magnesium-oxide insulation reduces the heat flow slightly at high altitudes and markedly at low altitudes over an uninsulated surface. Insulation equivalent to 1 in. of fiberglas is still more marked and the effect of altitude is greatly reduced. With so high an available heat input, the outer surface of the insulation heats up to nearly the same temperature at any altitude and the heat flow through the insulation is then a function of the temperature difference and not of the heat input into the outer surface (Adams).

mph, however, the elevated temperatures caused by aerodynamic heating become an over-all design problem.

Two aspects of aerodynamic heating appear startling. First is the temperature rise shown in Fig. 1. For example, at Mach 5 aluminum melts, at Mach 6 steel melts. In Fig. 2 the melting of a thin-walled cone in a hypersonic wind tunnel vividly demonstrates the effects of aerodynamic heating. A second aspect is the quantity of heat produced as illustrated in Fig. 3.

The sonic barrier of a decade ago was pierced primarily through the efforts of aerodynamicists and propulsion engineers. Beyond Mach 2, the structures and equipment engineers face a barrier of ever-increasing dimensions at altitudes where air-breathing engines and lifting wings are still possible.

The ultimate effects of the thermal barrier upon aircraft performance are viewed differently. Some optimistically contend that a suitably designed airplane or missile may fly very fast at extreme altitudes where the density of air is practically zero and then proceed at reduced speed while passing through lower altitudes. During the short periods of flight in the denser regions of the atmosphere even very high stagnation temperatures may not do much harm if the structure has a great deal of heat capacity, if it is protected by a layer of insulating material, or if it is cooled.

Others have come to more pessimistic conclusions. Their contention is that large temperature increases and heating rates render any method of preventing the primary structure from heating up for more than a short period of time, at best, only palliative. Studies have shown that the weight penalties involved in insulating or cooling the structure are tremendous. Considerations of the use of insulation, heat storage, cooling, and other methods indicate that sooner or later the aircraft engineer will have to face the task of designing primary structure to carry loads while hot.

In subsequent sections of this survey, over-all problems which arise in pilotless and piloted aircraft are first considered. Individual problems associated with various systems are then presented. Finally, new aspects of structural design and analysis caused by aerodynamic heating are discussed and the associate weight penalties are considered.

Thermal Barrier—Over-All Effects

Pilotless Aircraft[1]

A vehicle traveling in a ballistic trajectory at very high speeds is in the relatively high-density air where heat transfer and drag are important for only a short time. The real problem arises in the re-entry phase of the trajectory, where, for a brief period, the vehicle is subjected to enormous values of heat transfer and it becomes of vital importance whether the boundary layer is laminar or turbulent. For the re-entry, a relatively heavy low-drag vehicle which decelerated very little was assumed in an example. The maximum laminar heat-transfer rate is over 2,000,000 Btu per hr per sq ft, which is on the order of 50 times that ordinarily encountered in modern boilers. The maximum rate for the turbulent boundary-layer case is 36,000,000 which is of the order of 1000 times that which is encountered in standard boiler practice.

Several possibilities of relieving the aerodynamic heating present themselves. Reverse thrust to decelerate the vehicle before it enters the high-density air would be usable if sufficient fuel could be carried along. However, an increase in initial weight of at least one order of magnitude would not be unlikely. The vehicle may also be decelerated at high altitudes by the use of a large drag-to-weight ratio. This is the mechanism by which small meteorites (0.04 in. in radius) reach the earth's surface even though they have much higher entry velocities than those considered for man-made vehicles. Application of the same principle to a large vehicle would require that the drag be very large at high altitudes even though the air densities are extremely small, so that the structure required would probably be large and heavy.

For some flight conditions the structure probably can be protected to some extent by use of an insulating material applied to the exterior of the vehicle. However, there are no insulating materials known which can stand up under the high temperatures, thermal stresses, and aerodynamic forces that are encountered at the higher Mach numbers.

Another possible approach is to cool the surface by some means, such as transpiration cooling where a fluid, possibly water, is forced through the surface. Although the use of a transpiration cooling system or, for that matter, any cooling system, involves considerable design complication both in the cooling system itself and in the vehicle structure, it is a promising approach.

As a further possibility, the structure of the vehicle may be used to absorb the heat and parts of the vehicle may be allowed to melt, if necessary. This process is one which occurs in nature for very large meteorites. Large meteorites reach the earth's surface because they are able to absorb large amounts of heat per unit of surface area. For these meteorites, the aerodynamic heat-transfer rates are high for a short time, but only a small part of the heat can be conducted to the interior so that melting occurs at the surface while the interior remains relatively cool. Between the very small and the very large meteorites which are able to reach the earth's surface, are many which are destroyed by the heat they absorb as they enter the atmosphere.

Model Tests. To explore the last possibility, an investigation was undertaken to melt models by aerodynamic heating in a hypersonic wind tunnel at Mach 6.9 using Wood's melt which melts at 158 F. For these tests the free-stream temperature was about —350 F while the stagnation temperature was about 700 F. The configurations used included a solid hemispherical-nosed cylinder, a solid cone-cylinder, a thin-walled cone, and a thick-walled cone. All the cone models had a 20-deg apex angle.

Typical results of the melting tests of the solid models are presented in Fig. 4. Photographs of the models as

[1] Summary of "Melting of Bodies Due to Aerodynamic Heating," by Charles H. McLellan (ASME Paper No. 54—A-57).

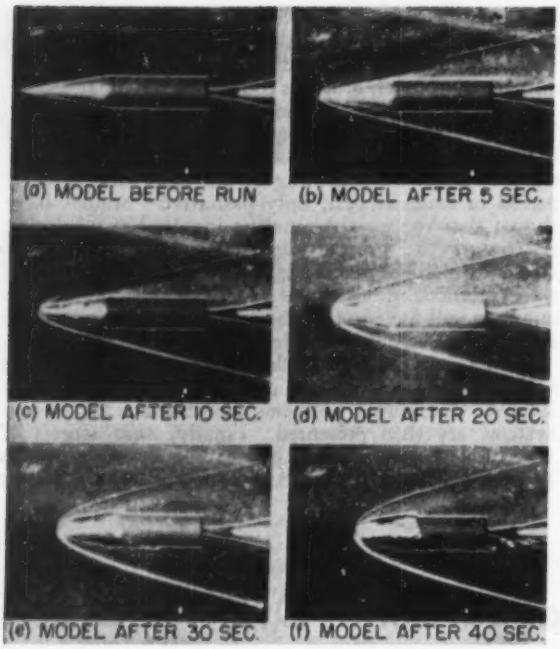

Fig. 4 Melting of a solid 20-deg cone-cylinder in a wind tunnel due to aerodynamic heating at Mach 6.9 (McLellan)

they melted were obtained from 16-mm motion-picture film. The tunnel tests were made at a constant Mach number, air temperature, and density.

The hemispherical-nosed model, as well as the cone-cylinder, were observed to start melting almost immediately with the start of the air flow in the nozzle of the wind tunnel. On the hemispherical-nose model, melting started at the center of the nose and rapidly spread to cover the entire hemisphere during the first 10 sec, after which the nose shape remained constant for the rest of the run. The stable shape was considerably blunter than the original hemisphere. On the conical-nosed models, melting started on the tip, producing an approximately spherical blunted nose, which grew in radius as it moved back on the cone.

In order to obtain conditions in which melting would occur on some part of the model other than the blunted nose, a thin-walled conical-nosed model was tested with results shown in Fig. 2. In contrast to the uniform melting which was observed on the solid models, the entire thin wall failed shortly after the melting of the outside of the wall had started. This indicates that the inner surface of the wall reached the melting point at approximately the same time as the outer surface.

Conclusions. Preliminary tests have shown that the melting is an orderly and reproducible process. Melting occurred only on the nose of the solid bodies in the tunnel because the heat-transfer rates were sufficiently low over the remainder of the bodies so that much of the heat could be conducted to the interior. In flight, where the heat-transfer rates can be very high, melting might also occur at parts of the body other than the nose regardless of the skin thickness. In tunnel tests melting did not appreciably alter heat-transfer rates.

Piloted Aircraft[2]

There are two basic ways to attack the aerodynamic heating problem. The first approach is to design the aircraft to endure the high temperatures. This might be possible at low Mach numbers with some structural materials and with simple equipment. It is the simplest solution from the airplane designer's point of view because it avoids the necessity for cooling systems except for the pilot, but it appears at the present time to present almost insurmountable problems of equipment development at even moderately high Mach numbers.

The second approach is to keep the airplane cool so that conventional designs can be used. Even here the airplane designer is faced with two choices. First is the insulation of the airplane and equipment with no provision for cooling. The success of this method depends on a low rate of heat rise and a short time of flight to keep the equipment below its limiting temperature. The second approach is to provide some form of cooling system.

Fig. 5 illustrates the first approach, that of using insulation without cooling. It shows the transient temperature of the structure, plotted against time of flight, for various altitudes, at Mach 4.

As to the second approach, some of the cooling systems that have been used in the past have been examined to determine their suitability for use in high-speed high-altitude aircraft, Fig 6. These cooling systems fall into three general classes—air-cycle systems, water-evaporation cooling systems, and fuel cooling. The latter is possible, of course, only in chemically fueled aircraft.

Hypothetical Aircraft. Now that we have seen what performance might be expected from cooling systems, let us examine the choices facing the designer of a hypothetical high-speed aircraft. This aircraft is assumed

[2] Summary of "Temperature Problems of Equipment in High-Speed Aircraft," by H. W. Adams (ASME Paper No. 54—A-131).

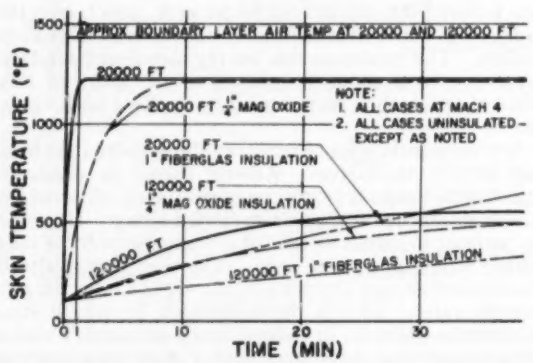

Fig. 5 At 20,000 ft the temperature of an uninsulated airplane skin reaches equilibrium in about 1 min; with 1/4-in. magnesium-oxide insulation it takes nearly 10 min; and with insulation equivalent to 1 in. of fiberglas, the temperature after 20 min is 425 F. At 120,000 ft with uninsulated structure, the skin temperature after 20 min would be about 510 F; with a magnesium-oxide insulation, about 390 F; and with insulation equal to 1 in. of fiberglas the skin temperature after 20 min would be only about 225 F. The reduction in equilibrium temperature from the boundary-layer air temperature of 1440 F to about 1240 F at 20,000 ft is due to radiation heat loss. At 120,000 ft, because of the lower heat input from the airstream, radiation reduces the temperature to 570 F (Adams).

to have a gross weight of 25,000 lb and a fuel weight of 12,500 lb. Three wing loadings of 100, 330, and 1000 psf, as shown in Fig. 7, have been assumed. It will be noted that the drag curves and the fuel-consumption curves are identical. This is because a fuel consumption of 3 lb/lb thrust/hr was assumed for all Mach numbers. This is about the present fuel consumption of jet engines with afterburners at low supersonic Mach numbers, and theoretical considerations indicate that if efficient air intakes can be developed, fuel consumptions of this order are still possible at high Mach numbers. At Mach 6 this fuel consumption would correspond to 0.26 lb/hp-hr which is not impossible considering the high-compression ratio associated with this speed.

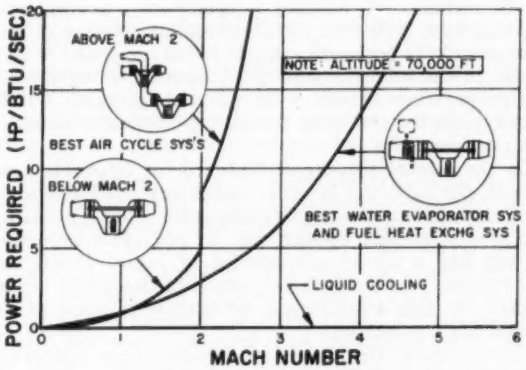

Fig. 6 Summary of the best cooling systems, from a horsepower standpoint, for altitude of 70,000 ft. Below Mach 2, the best air-cycle system is the ram turbine and blower system. Above Mach 2, the compound ram turbine and blower system is better. On this same basis, the water evaporator and the fuel heat-exchanger systems are equal and are better than air-cycle systems for all speeds above Mach 1 (Adams).

Conclusions. Representative chemical and nuclear-fueled aircraft were studied with conclusions shown in Figs. 8 and 9.

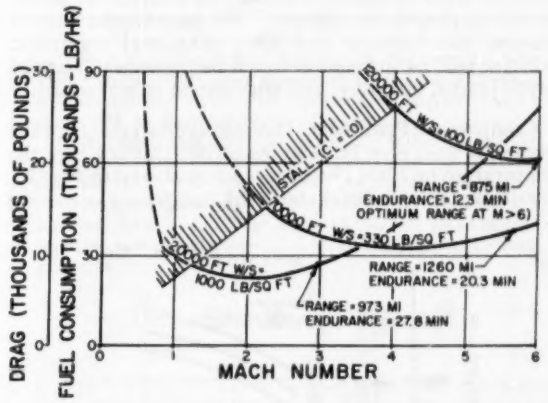

Fig. 7 Performance chart for hypothetical aircraft. The airplane with a wing loading of 1000 psf at 20,000 ft would have a stalling speed somewhat above Mach 1. Its minimum drag and fuel consumption occur at about Mach 2 and its maximum range occurs at about Mach 3. At 70,000 ft the airplane having a wing loading of 330 psf would have a stalling speed above Mach 2, minimum drag and fuel consumption at Mach 4.5, and maximum range at a speed of Mach 5.6. Note that this aircraft would have a range of about 1260 miles, which it would cover in 20 min. The aircraft flying at 120,000 ft with a wing loading of 100 psf would have a stalling speed of Mach 4, have its minimum drag at Mach 5.8, and its maximum range at some higher Mach number. At Mach 6 the range would be 875 miles for a flight time of 12 min (Adams).

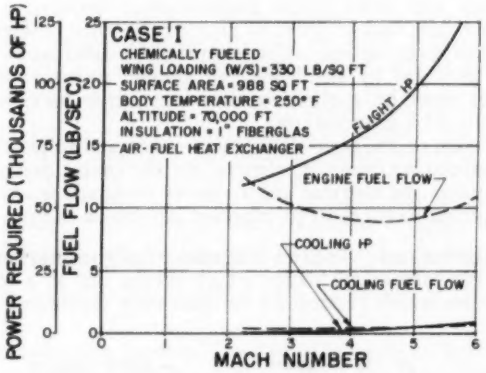

Fig. 8 Design summary for the chemically fueled aircraft with a wing loading of 330 psf flying at an altitude of 70,000 ft. The horsepower required varies from less than 60,000 hp at Mach 2 to above 120,000 hp at Mach 6. The engine fuel flow is on the order of 10 lb/sec. With the aircraft uninsulated, the entire engine fuel flow would be required to cool the airplane at Mach 3.5 and the cooling horsepower, assuming an air-fuel heat exchanger, would be about 25 per cent of the horsepower required for flight. If, as shown in this figure, the aircraft were to be insulated with insulation equal to 1 in. of fiberglas, the cooling horsepower would be only a few per cent of the horsepower required for flight and the fuel flow required for cooling would be on the order of 10 per cent of the engine fuel flow (Adams).

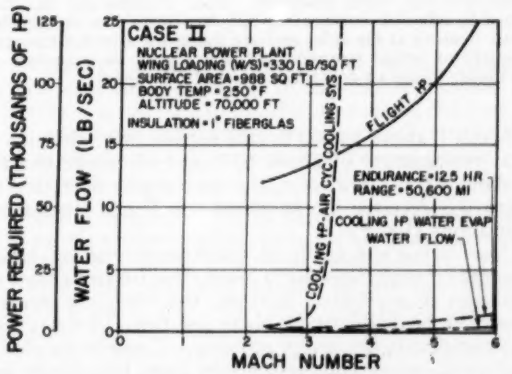

Fig. 9 The same data as used in Fig. 8 are presented for an insulated aircraft having a nuclear power plant, where fuel cooling is not possible. For an uninsulated aircraft, the cooling horsepowers start to rise rapidly in the region of Mach 2 if air-cycle cooling systems are used. If a water-evaporator system is used, the cooling horsepower equals the flight horsepower at about Mach 4.9 and the water flow would be such that the airplane range would be limited to about 2400 miles assuming half of the take-off weight of the airplane to be water. If, as in this figure, the same aircraft were to be insulated with insulation equal to 1 in. of fiberglas, the cooling horsepower would be on the order of 5 per cent of the flight horsepower; required water flow would be such that a range of 50,000 miles would be possible even at Mach 6 (Adams).

Turbojet Problems[3]

Although this discussion is confined to turbojet engines, by proper modification for the unique circumstances concerned, the data can be applied to other forms of air-breathing propulsion systems. We may assume that at present, man-carrying and some unmanned supersonic vehicles will be turbojet-powered for reasons of state of development, economy, and missions to be performed.

Compressor Problems. Having taken air on board the engine, it must now be compressed and this is where the temperature problem becomes acute as shown in Fig. 10. For instance, a sea-level static 9:1 compressor operating

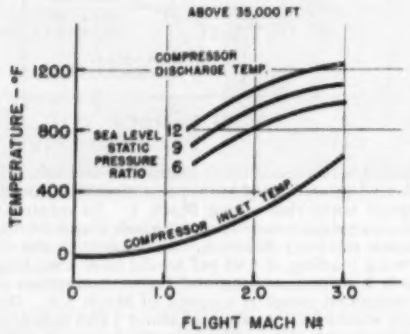

Fig. 10 Temperature rise through compressor at various flight Mach numbers for compressors of several sea-level static-design-pressure ratios operating above 35,000 ft on a hot day. For reference, standard day inlet temperatures are given in the lower curve. The sizable increase in temperature of the air as it passes from the inlet-compressor stages to the final stages is clearly evident and the rise is greater for the higher-pressure ratio machine. Data account for the decrease in effective compressor-pressure ratio due to aerodynamic heating at the inlet and are therefore accurately representative of actual temperatures which may be expected at the blades in the aft-compressor stages (Gardner).

at Mach 1 above 35,000 ft will receive inlet air with a total temperature of about 60 F and discharge the air at about 500 F. However, the same engine operating at Mach 2.8 receives air at about 650 F and discharges it at about 1100 F.

Considering the effect of temperature rise on metal strengths it is obvious that a much more limited choice of materials is available. Further, the vibratory stresses caused by blade-flutter problems are more likely to further complicate the design problem. Considering that a high-performance compressor may have 1000 blades exclusive of stators and that the failure of one blade can completely wreck the engine and possibly destroy the airplane and crew, the compressor appears as an old problem which has become more critical and difficult of solution under high-temperature conditions.

In addition, in spite of thermal expansion and creep the designer must provide for the small clearances between blade tips and the casing which make for high compressor efficiency. A further problem arises in providing satisfactory seals to prevent hot-air leakage to the interior of the engine. Thus the increase of problem areas in future compressor designs cannot be overemphasized.

Turbine Problems. The turbine is the most critical engine component with respect to temperature. The maximum operating temperature which the turbine can withstand automatically acts as a limit to the amount of energy in the form of fuel which can be added upstream of the turbine. At Mach 1 a turbine-inlet temperature increase from 1600 F to 1800 F allows an increase of approximately 22 per cent in fuel addition per pound of air, while at Mach 2.5 the same 200-F increase in turbine-inlet temperature allows a 44 per cent increase. This fact has spurred the quest for higher allowable turbine-inlet temperatures.

In the case of the engine designed for relatively low speeds, the difference between compressor-discharge temperature and turbine-inlet temperature allows sufficient differential to add enough fuel to provide compressor power and a significant amount of useful thrust for propulsion. As much as two thirds of the energy represented by this temperature differential is required to power the compressor.

Now consider the high Mach number engine operating at the same turbine-inlet temperature but at a much higher compressor-discharge temperature. The differential, representing energy available for the compressor and thrust, has been reduced considerably. Power requirements to make up compressor and turbine losses, although probably reduced, will still consume a major portion of the available energy and can conceivably be of such magnitude as to allow no energy for thrust requirements. Therefore, excluding the use of afterburners and other thrust augmentation devices, it is readily seen that in order to provide the same compressor discharge-turbine inlet temperature differential as was provided by the low-speed engine, increased emphasis must be applied to allowing higher maximum turbine-inlet temperatures.

To sum up the over-all engine problem and to provide a temperature frame of reference for the engine designer as well as the airframe and accessory designer, practical temperature ranges to be expected are shown in Fig. 11.

Conclusions. Today's compressor designer must now provide inlet-stage blades which might run at a temperature which yesterday's designer only considered for

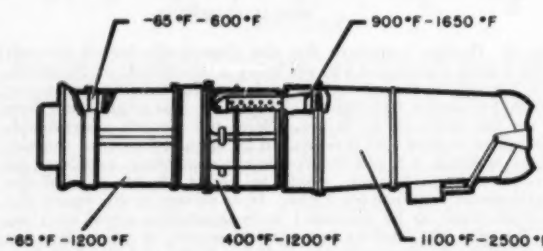

Fig. 11 Range of temperatures which turbojet engine components may experience (Gardner)

[3] Summary of "An Introduction to the Thermal Problems of Turbojet Engines for Supersonic Propulsion," by Alfred J. Gardner (ASME Paper No. 54—A-155).

last-stage blades. Last-stage blades must operate under conditions as severe as the turbines endured in early engines. As allowable turbine-inlet temperatures are raised, combustor liners and tubes must resist the severe temperature extremes now applied to turbines. The turbine itself, long the real hot bed of thermal difficulties, forces the materials and design engineers into areas of effort where arithmetic performance progress requires geometric effort expenditures. Downstream of the turbine, the constant quest for higher performance and lighter weight sustains the challenge to the designer of aft sections, afterburners, and propulsion nozzles.

Propulsion Installation Systems[4]

A multiplicity of problems are involved external to the engine itself. These items do not, of themselves, contribute to the thrust of the propulsion system, but are essential to support that engine. If improperly designed or executed, they may detract greatly from the mission effectiveness of the aircraft or missile.

Fuel Systems. It is obvious that heat will be conveyed to the stored fuel of a supersonic aircraft, with fuel stored in either the wing or fuselage. With hydrocarbon fuels certain losses will be encountered unless pressurization is utilized. For example, a hypothetical Mach 2 bomber, in sustained flight at 40,000 to 50,000 ft, would lose about 18 per cent of its fuel due to vaporization. This fuel is assumed to be initially at 100 F, with no tank pressurization. The addition of $^1/_{16}$-in. cork around the tanks would reduce this loss to 8 per cent, again with no pressurization. However, with insulation and 4 to 5 psi pressurization, the fuel loss is negligible. Other configurations than that investigated might not be so favorable, and higher fuel-tank pressures might be necessary.

While insulation is important, it could penalize the mission of the aircraft. It would be necessary for particular aircraft to perform the laborious calculations of a "range trade," that is, a determination of reduction in range due to insulation (taking up space which could be utilized for fuel) compared to that due to loss of fuel.

The large quantity of fuel aboard supersonic aircraft is looked at with covetous eyes by the engineers of many systems, as a panacea for their supersonic problems—the fuel system is the ideal heat sink, they say. However, the fuel-system designer has more than his share of problems under conditions of supersonic flight, without anyone else adding heat to the fuel. It must, in some instances, be so used—but all such heat additions must be carefully integrated into the design of the aircraft.

Lubrication Systems. Lubrication systems must be predicated upon some external mechanism of cooling the oil in addition to operation at the extremely high altitudes of which supersonic aircraft are capable. Oils capable of sustaining high temperatures should have properties of noninflammability and retention of lubricity. An ideal oil for modest supersonic speeds should be operational in the temperature range from about —65 F to 800 F.

The development of high-temperature oils, however, is not the total solution to the problem, since it is necessary that bearings or other devices which are lubricated operate at the very high temperatures. The possibility of designing main bearings to have their own independent oil system, and hence eliminate pumps, has merit. Such a system might possibly involve the substitution of air, graphite, or molybdenum disulphite or lubrication.

[4] Summary of "Effect of Supersonic Flight on Power-Plant Installation Systems," by R. B. Keusch (ASME Paper No. 54—A-156).

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A review of this type can hardly do justice to the individual papers presented. Therefore a special publication entitled, "Thermal Barrier Symposium" has been prepared and is available from ASME Order Department, 29 West 39th Street, New York 18, N. Y. In addition, separate pamphlet copies of each of the papers are also available.

Air-Induction Systems. Of particular significance in the installation of a supersonic air-breathing engine, is the problem of getting air delivered efficiently to the engine. Supersonic operation must insure that the shock waves generated at the inlet be properly positioned in order to obtain high ram recovery, low airplane drag, and even pressure and velocity distribution across the compressor face (or burner inlet for ramjets). The inlet may be of great help in obtaining power for supersonic flight; for instance, at Mach 3, the compression across the inlet shock wave can be about 18 to 1.

As speeds increase, optimization of the air-induction system over the speed range of the vehicle becomes imperative. In the field of variable-area inlets, the need for data, which can be developed into practical installations jointly by the aircraft, engine, and controls people, is a very present one.

Cooling Systems. The acuteness of the problem of cooling the engine and its associated systems stems from the lack of suitable noncritical materials which will withstand the high temperatures encountered in high Mach aircraft. Not only must the power-plant installation itself be cooled to obtain satisfactory performance of the engine and accessories, but also the structure and aircraft skin surrounding the power plant must be kept within temperature limits.

In addition to aerodynamic heating, the cooling problem of a supersonic aircraft power-plant installation is aggravated by the following considerations: The larger engines to be used in a supersonic aircraft and missiles have, in many cases, greater compression ratios and hence increased temperatures of the engine case over the last few stages of the compressor. The use of cooled turbine blades and afterburners (with the temperature of the latter running as high as 3500 F) will result in much higher temperatures for the "hot" parts of the engine.

Conclusions. The power plant and its installation systems, with increasing aircraft speed, account for in-increasingly larger percentages of the aircraft weight. The fuel system has been assessed as being particularly critical. Supersonic speed adds heat to the fuel system in such quantities that it gives the fuel-system designer many problems; the fuel system is not the ideal heat sink which, at first, it might appear to be. Other power-plant-installation-system problems demand early consideration in aircraft design, for compromise in the solution of these problems, due to their high percentage effect on the range of the aircraft, may well result in compromise of the total mission.

Cooling Systems[5]

Cooling of crew compartments and electronic equipment becomes more important and, at the same time, more difficult as airplane speeds increase. A sharp increase in capacity required from the cooling system takes place when the surrounding air becomes too hot to be a convenient direct heat sink. Heat sinks which can be found in the airplane are structure and fuel. The airplane structure itself can be used satisfactorily for a short duration where its thermal lag and capacity are sufficient and cooling off follows a brief period of excessive temperatures. For any flight longer than a few seconds, the whole structure will reach too high a temperature to be useful. Fuel is an attractive heat sink and it can be used conveniently if a heat exchanger between the fuel and the air is used downstream from the fuel pump. Unfortunately, the claim for fuel as a heat sink is made by the engine manufacturer for oil cooling and, so far, the air-conditioning engineer has not been able to obtain fuel for his purposes.

Artificial Heat Sinks. As there seem to be no other heat sinks present in the airplane, it is necessary to create an artificial one with the following properties:

[5] Summary of "Personnel and Equipment Cooling in Supersonic Airplanes," by J. Makowski and V. L. Whitney, Jr. (ASME Paper No. 54—A-206).

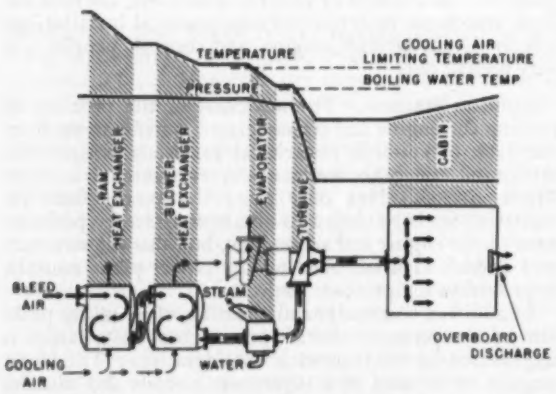

Fig. 12 Simple air-cycle air-cooling system with water evaporator. Ram heat exchanger removes portion of heat from bleed air followed by blower heat exchanger. Former depends upon airplane speed, the latter on engine setting, and therefore combined effectiveness is high. Evaporator is of brazed aluminum construction with extended surface on both air and water sides (Makowski-Whitney).

Absorb heat at the proper temperature level, absorb the highest possible amount of heat at the smallest possible weight and volume penalty, and be easily available and have no poisonous or highly corrosive properties.

It seems that plain water is superior to other substances on the bases of heat absorption capacity, availability, and chemical properties. The superiority of water is so great in these respects that the use of other materials having lower boiling-point temperatures at altitude is rarely justified in aircraft applications.

A typical air-cycle simple system employing a water evaporator is shown in Fig. 12. This type of system is installed in the X-3 high-speed research airplane. As can be seen from the lines of cooling-air temperature and boiling-water temperature, the system can operate with the turbine-inlet temperature considerably below cooling-air temperature.

Conclusions. Cooling the supersonic airplane is so important in terms of performance of the airplane that the optimum system can be achieved only through the co-operative efforts of airframe and equipment designers starting with the preliminary design stage and continuing through the final acceptance of the airplane.

Logical analysis of the cooling problems of a supersonic airplane led to the simple water-evaporative system, which, in its basic concept, can find application in high-speed aircraft of the present and for some time in the future.

Human Problems[6]

Altitudes so high that human life is no longer possible without artificial aids may now be reached within a few minutes, and the full range of tolerable temperatures are met within a single flight. Extremes in accelerative forces leading to loss of consciousness or to death may be encountered during maneuvers.

One of the most important ways of improving flight safety and combat efficiency is to design equipment in terms of human capabilities and limitations. Aeronautical engineers should have an understanding of the sense organs and the characteristics of human perception, if satisfactory information is to be supplied to the pilot. The environmental conditions relating to temperature, humidity, toxic gases, and many other factors must be considered or physiological limits may be exceeded. Thus there is great need for more effective collaboration between the engineering and biological sciences.

Oxygen want at high altitudes gives rise to a progressive and insidious deterioration of performance. Although cabin-pressurization and pressure-breathing equipment provide satisfactory solutions, much remains to be done in improving the comfort and reliability of such advances. Sudden loss of pressure is serious, especially the symptoms related to aeroembolism which may occur during explosive decompression. The visual problems encountered at very high altitudes have introduced a number of unusual factors which are being brought under control by redesign of cockpit-illumination systems and other aids to the pilot.

The adverse stimuli relating to high-speed flight center around the accelerative forces which build up rapidly during sudden maneuvers, especially during combat flying. The effect of body position on tolerance to ac-

[6] Summary of "Human Problems Associated With High-Speed and High-Altitude Flight," by R. A. McFarland (ASME Paper 54—A-230).

celeration are shown in Fig. 13. Some protection can be afforded the pilot with anti-*g* suits but the limiting factors remain serious ones and all pilots should be indoctrinated in regard to their physical responses from such maneuvers. The visual and motor reaction times of pilots impose serious limitations in high-speed aircraft as illustrated in Fig. 14. The most satisfactory methods of designing the controls of modern aircraft, to come within the range of human capabilities, is deserving of further research.

Human tolerance for heat and cold is outlined so that aeronautical engineers might have a better understanding of design problems related to cabin atmosphere. The hazards resulting from noxious gases and vapors are also considered. The need for air-crew indoctrination in the effective use of equipment is emphasized as well as the need for airmen to understand their own physical limitations while in flight. Finally, the need for more effective collaboration between the biological and engineering sciences is stressed in regard to improving the man-machine systems in high-speed high-altitude flying which will be encountered in the thermal barrier.

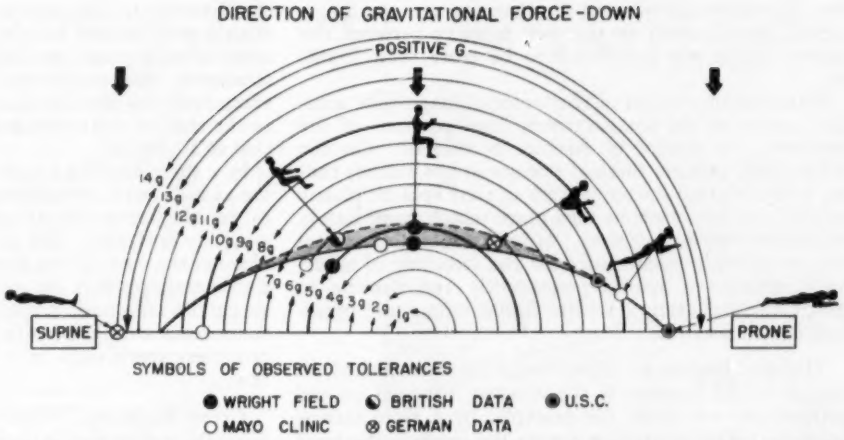

Fig. 13 Effects of body position on tolerance to accelerations of 10 sec or more (McFarland)

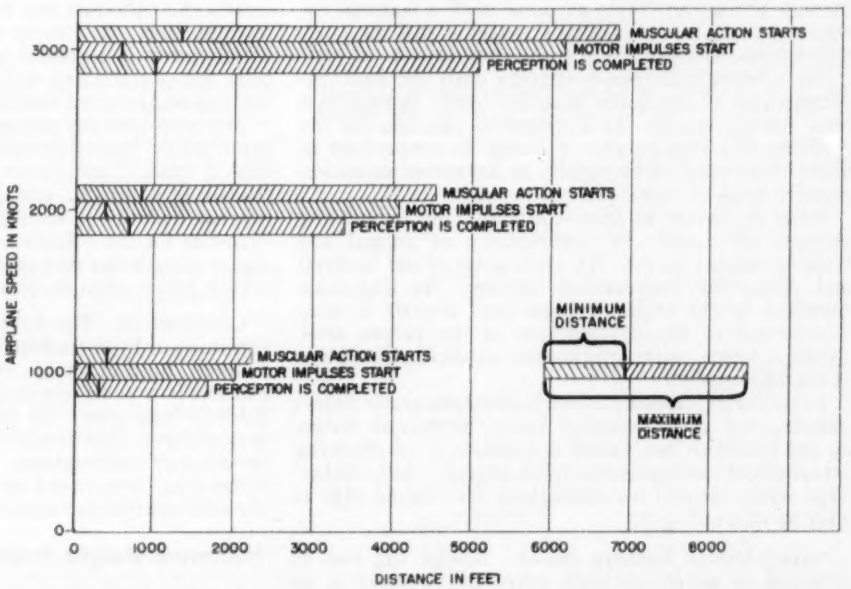

Fig. 14 Distances traveled before a pilot perceives a visual stimulus and initiates a muscular response. Minimum distances represent a bright visual stimulus in the line of sight when subject is forwarned. Maximum distances represent a faint stimulus slightly out of the exact line of vision without warning (McFarland).

Thermal Barrier—Effects on Airframes

Structural Problems[7]

Thermal Stresses. The wing of a supersonic airplane is heated only over its surface and its interior remains comparatively cool. Under these conditions the expansion of the material of the hot surface tends to force an expansion of the cooler interior which opposes such action. The resulting thermal stresses are compressive in the warm outer regions and tensile in the cool interior.

As a comparatively simple example, heating was assumed to be caused by a uniform speed of Mach 3.1 at an elevation of 50,000 ft, with a uniform initial temperature of 60 F. The wing structure was assumed to consist of two $^{3}/_{8}$-in-thick steel cover plates connected by a number of 0.1-in-thick steel shear webs.

After 200 sec of flight the cover plates reached 540 F while the middle of the web was at only 110 F. At that

[7] Summary of "The Thermal Barrier—Structures," by N. J. Hoff (ASME Paper No. 54—A-207).

time the maximum stress in the structure was the longitudinal tensile stress in the web midway between the flanges which was calculated to be more than 70,000 psi.

When tensile stresses of this order of magnitude actually appear in the comparatively cool portions of the structure, the danger of fracture is evident. On the other hand, extreme thermal stresses in hot regions cannot be maintained for any length of time because plastic and viscous deformations take place which immediately reduce the thermal stresses. It seems advisable, therefore, to provide possibilities for the structure of supersonic aircraft to deform permanently and thereby to escape thermal stresses within limits where safe operation is still possible.

Thermal Buckling. As a slender column is heated, its length would increase if the distance between its end points were not fixed, for example, by a rigid testing machine. The shortening due to the compression must balance the extension caused by heating and therefore the compressive force can be calculated. The highest thermal stresses are likely to occur with a material for which the product of Young's modulus and the coefficient of thermal expansion is the greatest.

The column will remain straight until the force becomes equal to the Euler buckling load; beyond this load bowing occurs. In a numerical example for the buckling of a steel column, a change in temperature of 68.6 F was found to be equally as dangerous as a compressive stress of 14,400 psi.

When the deviations from straightness due to buckling increase sufficiently, the combination of normal and bending stresses exceeds the yield point of the material and permanent deformations develop. As large-scale waviness in the walls of high-speed aircraft is most detrimental to the development of the proper aerodynamic forces, more information on thermal buckling is urgently needed.

Experiments carried out with electromagnetic induction-heating units produced large, permanent bulges in the covers of box beams representative of the wing structures of low supersonic-speed aircraft. Solid wedge-type wings showed waviness along the leading edge as may be seen in Fig. 15.

Creep Under Tension Loads. Besides the loss of strength of metals at high temperatures, creep is an important aspect of their temperature behavior. If a fighter spends only a few hours of its total flying time at supersonic speeds, and if a guided missile is designed for a flight of only a few seconds or a few minutes, there is every reason to allow stresses in the structure that cause creep deformations of a few tenths of a per cent in an hour. If this is not permitted, the allowable stresses must be chosen extremely low when the temperature of the structure is high and in consequence the airplane or missile will become unduly heavy. Creep rates of this order of magnitude are unprecedented in the design of structures and machinery. The creep rates studied extensively by the designers of heat-power equipment in the thirties were measured in a few hundreds of a per cent in 10,000 hr.

Fig. 15 Waviness along the leading edge of a solid wedge-type wing after exposure to elevated temperature (Hoff)

In a three-bar framework containing a vertical member as well as two members inclined at 60 deg, the vertical member carries 80 per cent of a vertical load when the structure is elastic. For an ideally plastic material, the share of the vertical bar is reduced to 50 per cent. These results indicate that the stress is distributed more evenly when the structure creeps. For this reason stress concentrations are likely to be less severe in the presence of nonlinear creep than in a material following Hooke's law.

Creep Buckling. When a bar is subjected to compressive rather than tensile loads, any slight initial curvature of the center line of the column gives rise to bending moments. Creep caused by the bending moment increases the curvature and hence the deviation from the straight line. A vicious circle begins, therefore, in which creep is increased by the increased deviations from the straight line and vice versa until the column folds up and becomes useless for structural purposes.

The creep-buckling process takes place under any compressive load however small. It lasts much longer if the load is small. One cannot talk, therefore, of a critical load or of a critical stress in creep buckling. The significant quantity is the critical time, that is, the time necessary for the column to buckle. The structural designer must make sure that the critical time of his column is greater than the required lifetime of the structure.

Conclusions. The novel feature of the behavior of structures at high temperature is the time-dependence of failure. Both in tension and compression the structural element fails under any load if it is maintained for a sufficiently long time. In this respect structures at high temperatures differ fundamentally from those used only at ordinary temperatures. The designer of supersonic aircraft has to get used to the idea that each structural element must be calculated for a definite lifetime.

Minimum-Weight Problems[8]

Structural Configurations of Minimum Weight. To obtain a structure of minimum weight within the limited geometry of thin supersonic wings, the skin acts as the main load-carrying member. As a result, stringer-panel construction is no longer universally used. In its place, various forms of sandwich construction, multicell construction, and post construction have been developed.

To evaluate the newer forms of construction from a minimum-weight standpoint, analytical methods are used. Both the compression cover and supporting structure such as ribs, webs, and posts are considered in the analysis. After the minimum-weight designs have been established, it is then possible to compare the various types of construction on a common basis. From this, the ranges of efficient structural application of each form can be determined. The results of such an analysis are shown in Fig. 16.

[8] Summary of "Some Structural Aspects of Thermal Flight," by George Gerard (ASME Paper No. 54—A-40).

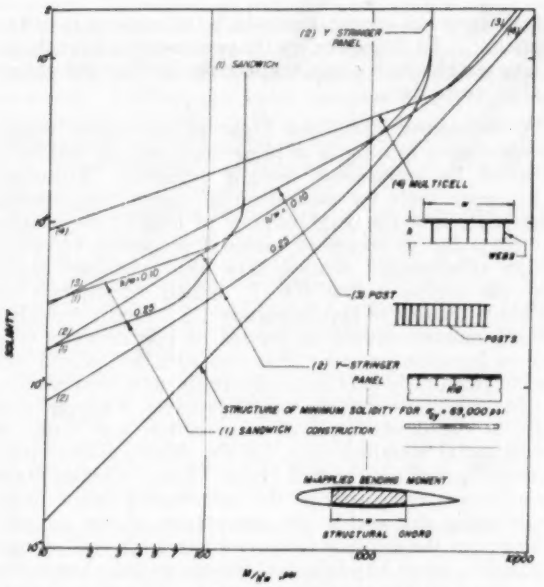

Fig. 16 This chart indicates the relative weights of various forms of wing and tail construction for 75S-T aluminum alloy. It represents a comprehensive analysis in which the theoretically minimum weight designs of each form of construction are compared on a common basis. It can be observed that at high values of M/b^2w, representative of thermal flight, multicell and post construction are more efficient structurally than Y stringer-panel construction (Gerard).

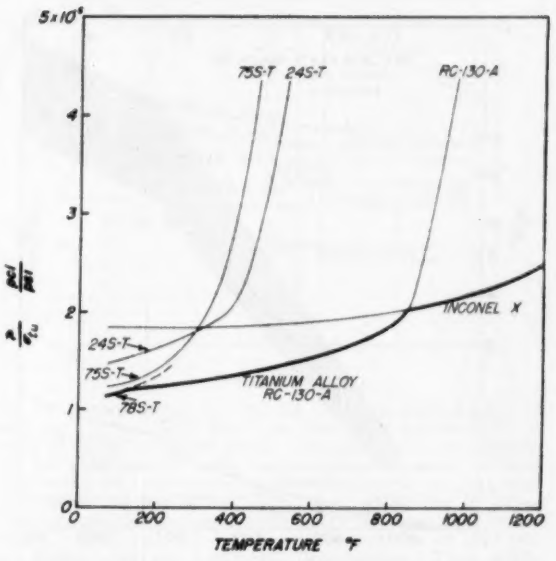

Fig. 17 Weight-strength ratios for short-time tension loading of various alloys (ρ = density, σ_{tu} = ultimate tensile strength). Note that titanium alloy RC-130-A is efficient at room temperature and retains this efficiency up to 800 F (Gerard).

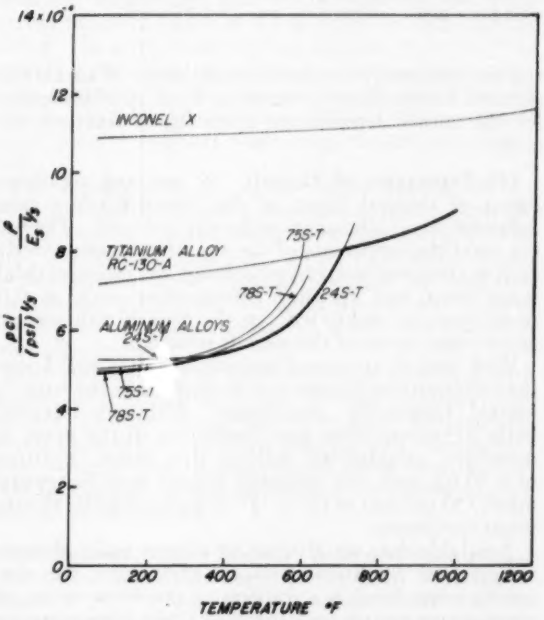

Fig. 18 Weight-strength ratios for short-time compressive and shear loading of various materials (ρ = density, E_s = secant modulus at yield). In contrast to the tension case, aluminum alloys are superior to titanium up to 700 F (Gerard).

Relative Weights of Materials. The second part of the minimum-weight problem requires evaluation of various materials which may be used at elevated temperatures. The weight-strength evaluation of tension materials is shown in Fig. 17.

Components subject to compressive and shear loads are generally governed by buckling considerations. It is generally efficient to use the yield strength as the allowable stress for heavily loaded thin wings. Therefore a weight-strength evaluation based on plastic buckling at the compressive yield stress is shown for several materials in Fig. 18.

In contrast to tension loading, aluminum alloys are superior for compression and shear up to temperatures of almost 700 F. Therefore the apparent superiority of titanium alloys for short-time tension up to 700 F must be balanced carefully against the superiority of the aluminum alloys for short-time compression and shear up to 700 F.

Relative-Weight Analysis. The natural growth trends of future aircraft are difficult to establish with any degree of accuracy. Therefore an approach is used in which the weight increases due to elevated temperatures are isolated from the natural growth trends. This has been accomplished by considering the relative weights of two aircraft designed to the same performance specifications; the reference airplane is designed for room-temperature conditions whereas the other is designed for elevated-temperature conditions on the basis of short-time strength data.

The increment in structural weight due to elevated temperatures must be multiplied by a suitable growth factor. This factor accounts for the increased propulsive and aerodynamic requirements to achieve comparable performance of the room and elevated-temperature aircraft. Therefore the average relative weight of tension, compression, and shear components was multiplied by representative growth factors as shown in Fig. 19. It can be observed that tremendous weight penal-

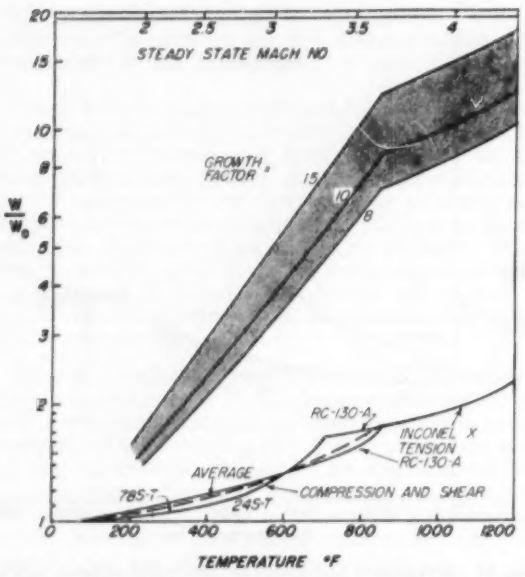

Fig. 19 Relative weight of aircraft designed for thermal flight (W) as compared to same aircraft designed on basis of room temperature (W_0). In this comparison, 78S-T was assumed for the room-temperature aircraft while for the thermal-flight aircraft the average trend based on the most efficient materials for a given temperature was used (Gerard).

ties are apparently involved in the design of aircraft for elevated temperatures in terms of what is now required for the normal temperature operation of transonic aircraft.

Life Expectancy of Aircraft. A new and significant aspect of thermal flight is the time-dependent creep deformation which occurs under applied load. Depending upon the service use of the aircraft, various criteria, such as stress rupture, creep buckling, initiation of third-stage creep, and specified deformations such as 0.02 strain, may be used to indicate the time of retirement of major components of the aircraft structure.

With aircraft at normal temperatures, it is well known that intermittent stresses due to gusts form the basis for limited fatigue-life expectancy. Although relatively little is known about gust conditions in the upper atmosphere, calculations indicate that under conditions of a 30-fps gust, the resulting stresses may be approximately 50 per cent of the 1 "g" stress level under thermal flight conditions.

Available data on alternating stresses under elevated-temperature conditions indicate that when the alternating stress level is a fraction of the mean stress, the creep curves remain unchanged to a first approximation. Since the alternating stresses due to gust loads appear to be relatively small, gust loadings may not decrease to any appreciable extent the life expectancy based on the mean stress levels.

To predict the life expectancy of aircraft under elevated temperature conditions, it is necessary to determine the time required to satisfy a given failure criterion under conditions which involve both varying stresses and temperatures. The initial information for the life-expectancy analysis consists of basic creep data for the material and the relative frequency distribution of applied stress and temperature which the airplane is to experience. To determine the life expectancy, a hypothesis is suggested which combines both the loading and physical-property data.

Conclusions. Sustained flight in the region where aerodynamic heating is of importance may be seriously limited by tremendous weight penalties. Although the upper limit for utilization of current engineering materials is in the neighborhood of 1800 F, the weight penalty due to decreased material properties resulting from aerodynamic heating may limit sustained flight to the region below 800 F, which corresponds to a Mach number of approximately 3.5. Flight at higher Mach numbers would be limited to operations of very short duration in order that the structure would not aerodynamically heat up to the steady-state temperature.

In connection with the weight problem, it appears that use of the newer types of construction may result in substantial weightsavings for the high-solidity structures required for thermal flight. Under thermal-flight conditions, creep will be the determining factor in establishing the usable life expectancy of the aircraft. To design the airframe for an unlimited life will, even if possible, result in additional weight to the already tremendous weight penalties incurred. Therefore limited life expectancy of aircraft designed for thermal flight may be expected as one solution to this problem.

Design Problems[9]

Creep Effects. The weight penalties that accrue from using long-time creep data are compared with those that develop using short-time data in Table 1.

Table 1 Comparison of Weight of Materials at 400 F With Aluminum at 75 F

	Per cent increase	Per cent increase Long-time loading—100 Hr	
	Short-time loading	2 per cent deformation	Rupture
Aluminum	65 per cent	280 per cent	230 per cent
Titanium	23 per cent	39 per cent	37 per cent

To some extent, if either the temperature or the stress level is low, creep can be taken care of by merely reducing the allowables. At the higher temperatures and higher stress levels this leads to such large reductions in material allowables and imposes such large weight penalties that it is no longer feasible and the use of creep data in design becomes mandatory.

A comparison of creep data for wrought and cast materials shows that at the higher temperatures some cast materials have larger allowable creep stresses than wrought. If this proves to be generally true, it could mean a radical change in design and fabrication methods and lead to the economies associated with castings.

Temperature gradients, stress variations, thermal-induced stresses, stress and thermal cycling, stress-strain-temperature-time histories and many other factors affect both the stress distribution and the allowable stresses the various components will carry; for example, see Fig. 20.

Material Stability at Temperature. In general, most

[9] Summary of "Problems in the Design of Aircraft Subjected to High Temperature," by F. R. Steinbacher and Louis Young (ASME Paper No. 54—A-100).

structural materials lose stability and deteriorate at an accelerated rate at elevated temperatures. The deleterious chemical reactions that cause corrosion and loss of stability progress more rapidly at elevated temperatures. Further, the added elements which increase the strength and stability of a material may, at certain temperatures, either precipitate out or unite chemically with other elements and thereby prevent their further functioning in the intended manner.

Losses in strength due to corrosion are generally controlled by either coating the exposed surfaces to prevent the basic alloy from contacting the atmosphere or by adding elements that retard corrosion. At extreme temperatures (above 2000 F) there is a point beyond which alloys, no matter how skillfully blended, can no longer be considered structural material.

Beyond metals, the engineer must turn to refractory ceramics, particularly oxides of aluminum, magnesium, silicon, and zirconium. Already fully reacted with oxygen, these oxides can resist corrosive atmospheres and do not weaken appreciably until near their melting points which may be as high as 5000 F.

Thermal Stresses. Thermally induced stresses depend on the temperature gradient and thus they cannot be reduced or eliminated by merely adding more material. Such stresses are produced by differential expansion; consequently, it would be ideal if a structural material could be found or developed which has zero coefficient of expansion. For such a material no thermal stresses would develop regardless of the temperature distribution.

Nickel, when added to steel in the proper proportion, reduces the coefficient of expansion. For example, an alloy with 43.5 per cent nickel has a coefficient of expansion one half that of steel and retains this low coefficient up to 800 F. The development of low-expansion alloys might well make the difference between a practical aircraft and a structure too heavy to fly. At present no other metallurgical contribution to high-speed flight appears to offer greater promise or is more within the realm of possibility.

New Criterion of Structural Safety Required. In the design of aircraft structures, a margin of safety is required to take care of variations in materials, manufacturing techniques, and design uncertainties. The present factor of safety of 1.5 is based on load-carrying ability. In a high-temperature aircraft, however, four important variables are involved: Creep or creep rates, time, temperature, and stresses, any of which can be critical. Fig. 21 shows how confused the margin of safety concept becomes when creep factors are considered.

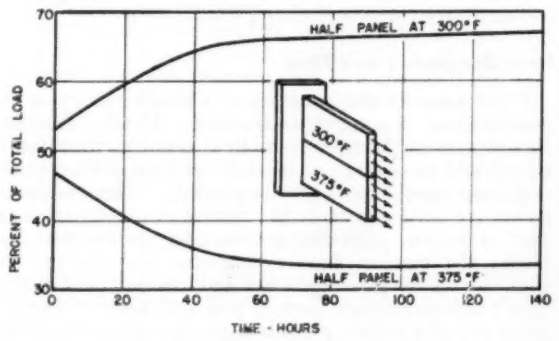

Fig. 20 Redistribution of load due to creep in a simple panel of 75S-T6 aluminum alloy. Panel is so loaded and restrained at the ends that each portion is forced to deform at the same rate—a condition not too far removed from that of tension surface of wing. For simplicity, thermal-induced stresses are ignored. The hotter portion creeps faster than the cooler portion and therefore gradually unloads (Steinbacher-Young).

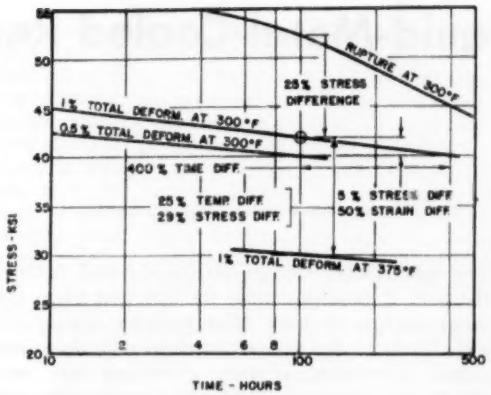

Fig. 21 Creep curves for 24S-T3 showing various ways of applying a safety factor and how allowables are affected. A stress of 42 ksi produces a total deformation of 1 per cent in 100 hr. Note that a 5 per cent reduction in stress permits either using the structure 400 per cent longer or reducing total deformation 50 per cent. Thus small reductions in stress either appreciably increase useful life or decrease total deformation. Also note that 100-hr rupture stress is only 25 per cent above stress for 1 per cent deformation. Thus, while small reductions in stress appreciably improve useful life or deformation of structure, they do not compensate much for inaccuracies in structural analysis (Steinbacher-Young).

The conventional 1.5 safety factor applied to the stress is almost ridiculous under the conditions shown in Fig. 21 since it is considerably more than enough to insure "indefinite" creep life. Applying a safety factor to the temperature is equally ridiculous because even small factors can reduce the stress level as much as, or more than, the conventional 1.5 safety factor used at room temperatures.

Since the safety factor is so intimately associated with weight, a co-ordinated effort between industry, the military, and the CAA is needed to study this problem with the aim of establishing a practical and standardized safety criterion for elevated temperatures that will remain applicable even after new types of high-temperature material are developed.

Conclusions. Until recently, structural research has always been sufficiently ahead of the needs of design to prevent serious delays in the development of aircraft. The opinion is already held that research is today merely sweeping up after the designers.

The magnitude of the thermal problem is such that over-all research, unless accelerated, will soon find itself five to ten years behind aerodynamics and propulsion. To correct this, a co-ordinated study of the whole high-temperature field is needed. Nibbling away at the fringe problems associated with 300-F temperatures is entirely inadequate; investigation of the problems peculiar to each temperature range up to 1000 F, and even beyond, is required.

Liquid-Metal-Cooled Reactors

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The mechanical design of liquid-metal nuclear reactors is fundamentally no different from any other design project. The general design criteria apply to this area of work as they do to any other. However, certain problems are emphasized to such a point that they seem to be new and strange. The author analyzes some of these problems and reduces them to practicable dimensions for the designer to follow. A stage has now been reached where the reactor is no longer a mysterious "black box" but a project to be developed by normal engineering principles.

Because of unusual emphasis on certain facets of the design of liquid-metal-cooled nuclear reactors and our lack of experience in this field, it has been necessary in the work done up to this time to approach all the design problems from a fundamental analytical and experimental viewpoint.

A factor in reactor design that differs from most normal designs is that of radioactivity. This factor is related to the difficulty of obtaining complete reactor-system tests. These tests would involve the reactor and its heat-exchange system. The cost of such an installation, together with the difficulty of making modifications to the reactor after it has operated, make such a program undesirable unless the system has a very good chance for success. The difficulty of working on a reactor after some full-power operation is tremendous when compared to normal maintenance. The radioactivity of the parts is such that all work must be done remotely with heavy shielding protecting the personnel.

Now, with the completion of the SIR (Submarine Intermediate Reactor) design by the Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory, a much better understanding of the critical design areas is known. This understanding will facilitate future reactor development.

Nuclear Requirements

It is obvious that the nuclear requirements must be met by the reactor designer. His job is to arrive at a satisfactory mechanical design that approaches as closely as practicable those theoretical conditions which cannot be checked experimentally. This is necessary, since the effects of deviation from them is not known accurately. However, with more detailed nuclear information about a specific reactor, the designer has greater freedom in the details of his design. The detailed information about a specific design is obtained experimentally by the use of the zero-power reactor or critical assembly. This is an experimental tool that is nuclearly similar to the reactor being designed. It operates at critical but at a very low, power (a few watts) and, therefore, does not become significantly radioactive.

Because of the nuclear requirements, the designer of a liquid-metal reactor must establish a nuclear quality control and become an "atom watcher." Small changes in density, impurities, and dimensions can affect nuclear characteristics seriously. Such requirements necessitate careful design and equally careful fabrication, for there can be impurities in dirt and grit. The designer must place close mechanical and chemical tolerances on critical parts of the reactor so that the desired nuclear characteristics can be achieved. It also allows prediction of nuclear characteristics for future refuelings so that the optimum nuclear point can be obtained without complicated nuclear adjustments. This means that a new set of parts could be installed into a reactor without having to worry about large nuclear changes. Such a change could then be made by operating personnel rather than highly trained specialists in physics.

To achieve this objective, there is actually a selective assembly of parts so that nuclear variations in these parts offset one another in an assembly. Cleanliness of parts and assemblies to eliminate nuclear as well as chemical contamination is assured by special work areas and protective clothing. To determine the nuclear characteristics of parts, a chemical analysis is made on all material lots, the parts are weighed accurately and, as a final check, the parts are checked in a critical assembly. This information is tabulated and used to insure the proper nuclear characteristics of a completed reactor.

Heat Generation and Flow

The reason for the existence of a power reactor is to generate heat at a useful temperature. Ideally, the outlet temperature should be as high as possible, the reactor size should be as small as possible, and the coolant pressure drop should be as low as possible. These requirements are desired because the reactor is one component part of a heat generation-and-transfer system that includes the reactor, heat exchangers, and pumps. A high reactor outlet temperature and low pumping power help to obtain a high over-all plant efficiency. The reactor size of a mobile plant is important since it must be shielded. The larger it is, the greater the shield weight, size, and cost.

In a liquid-metal system where heat-transfer film coefficient is not a limitation, the heat removal is dependent almost completely upon mass flow. The quantity of heat removal is given by the following equation:

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$$Q = C_p \rho A v \Delta t$$

where

Q = quantity of heat removed from reactor in unit time
C_p = heat capacity of coolant per unit weight per deg F
ρ = weight density of coolant
A = total cross-sectional area of reactor coolant channels
v = coolant velocity
Δt = temperature rise of coolant in passing through reactor

Since the heat capacity and density of coolant are fixed for a certain coolant, the variables the reactor designer has are those of cross-sectional area of coolant passages, coolant velocity, and temperature rise. It becomes obvious that the best method of achieving the desired small size and low pressure drop is to have large temperature rise of the coolant as it passes through the reactor. A single-pass coolant system also is indicated for low pressure drop.

With the establishment of a large temperature rise to satisfy system requirements the reactor designer has several real problems. The most important one is to minimize temperature differences across the structural members of the reactor. These temperature differences can lead to high thermal stresses. Since the heat generation in the reactor core varies with location, the coolant-mass flow in the single-pass system must match the heat generation reasonably well to prevent any excessive temperature differences in this region.

While the cooling for a known heat-generation condition can be established by analysis and flow tests, the problem of cooling a changing heat-generation profile properly is extremely difficult if not impractical. Since the heat-generation profile changes with the burn-up of fuel and control-element positions, it becomes evident that the orificing of a coolant cannot match closely the heat generation under all conditions. This means that large temperature differences can exist at the core exit if large changes in heat distribution occur. Fig. 1 gives an example of how heat-generation gradients might look for two conditions of the SIR reactor.

The cause of the change between heat-generation profile given by conditions (1) and (2), Fig. 1, is the insertion of a control element at the core interface. In the first condition the reflector region causes neutrons to return into the core where they cause fission of the fuel at this place. The heat generation is proportional to the number of fissions that occur, and the number of fissions is a function of the neutron density, the number of fuel atoms present, and the energy of the neutrons. Since in most reactors the fuel loading does not vary with location, the neutron density and energy are the primary factors which cause power-generation changes with control-element position. In the first case the control element is not present; therefore the neutron flux is normal in the core with an additional component from the reflected neutrons. The reflected neutrons are of low energy and most of them have a velocity corresponding to the temperature of the surroundings; hence they are called "thermal" neutrons. Since thermal neutrons are more easily absorbed by the fuel than those with higher energies, the neutrons returned from the reflector cause fissions only in the outside edge of the core. This produces the sharp heat-generation gradient in this region.

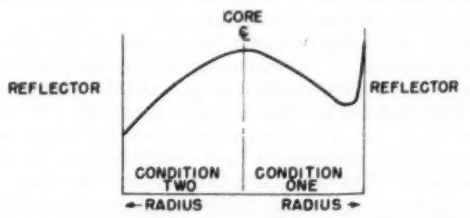

Fig. 1 Heat-generation gradients for two conditions of SIR reactor

In condition (2) a control element which is made from neutron-absorbing material is inserted at the core-reflector interface. This eliminates the neutrons that are returning from the reflector as well as generally lowers the neutron flux in this region; therefore the heat generation is only a portion of what it was in condition (1). This same sort of thing happens when control rods are inserted in the core by lowering the neutron flux in a local region.

In regions outside the core only a small percentage of the total heat is generated. These regions can be cooled by natural circulation of the liquid-metal coolant. This is a desirable and easy way to prevent large temperature gradients during steady state. However, because of the large thermal time constant of this region compared to the core, certain transient conditions can impose temperature gradients of large magnitude between it and the core.

It becomes evident from the foregoing discussion that temperature differences will exist in the coolant in the core and adjacent regions because of mismatching heat generation and flow. The coolant temperatures are reflected in the temperatures in the structures of the reactor, since with a liquid-metal coolant little temperature difference can exist between them.

These temperature differences can be sizable because, as was stated previously, liquid-metal reactors normally have a large temperature rise across them. For example, if the reactor has a 300-deg F temperature rise, a 50 per cent mismatch could allow 150-deg F temperature variation. These temperature gradients then give rise to the thermal-stress problems in a liquid-metal-cooled power reactor.

Another type of temperature differences that can exist in structures is that caused by rapid temperature transients. Since the heat generated by nuclear reactors can be turned on and off rapidly, the coolant temperatures can change just as rapidly, thereby causing rapid temperature changes in structural members. The outer fibers adjacent to the coolant will change temperature while the main portion of the structure will not yet have been affected. These outer fibers then are stressed severely.

Thermal Stresses

Since sizable temperature differences are likely to exist within various structures, the designer must use his ingenuity to minimize the resultant thermal stresses. By a simple analysis it can be seen that with the large temperature rise identified with liquid-metal reactors, sizable stresses can exist. Based on an elastic basis, the use of austenitic stainless steel, and a linear temperature rise of 300 deg F across a thin-walled cylindrical shell, the following stress would occur:

$$S = \frac{E\alpha\Delta t}{2(1-\nu)}$$

where

S = stress, psi
E = Young's modulus (26×10^6), psi
α = coefficient of expansion (10^{-6} in/in/deg F)
ν = Poisson's ratio (0.3)
Δt = temperature rise, deg F

$$S = \frac{26 \times 10^6 \times 10^{-6} \times 300}{2(0.7)}$$

$$S = 55{,}000 \text{ psi}$$

This is considerably above the allowable stress. Hence it is necessary to limit local deviations of temperature in structures to much lower values. The actual stress for the example given would be lower in annealed material and a plastic strain would have taken place.

As with any problem, there are certain general directions the design should take to minimize these problems. The first and most obvious is to make units small or thin so that a temperature difference cannot exist across them. Another is to make the unit flexible. In liquid-metal-reactor design the use of flexibility in structures is an effective means of minimizing thermal stresses However, care should be taken to prevent designs from becoming flimsy and, therefore, subject to failure because of vibration and mechanical shock where such be the requirements.

An example of this is the use of hinged joints to allow rotation at junction points. When a temperature gradient is axially applied to a large-diameter cylinder, this flexibility considerably reduces the stresses. This can be shown by Fig. 2. With a temperature gradient as indicated in (1) the cylinder would take a position as shown in (2) and the end pieces would be a diameter corresponding to their average temperatures. With rigid attachment a bending moment is applied at the junction point. This gives rise to the stresses; however, with a flexible joint as shown in (3), these are eliminated.

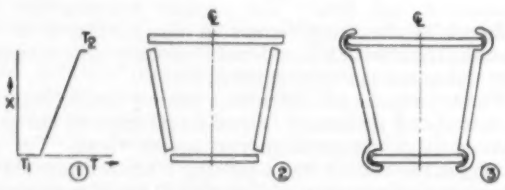

Fig. 2 Temperature gradient applied axially to large-diameter cylinder

It can be seen that the ends on the cylinder give a restraint when no flexibility is allowed. With a steep temperature gradient this bending stress can be quite large. The flexibility of the ends will relieve these stresses.

Another method of minimizing thermal stress is to use baffles. These baffles are members that have some flexibility and act as insulation to protect structural members. By use of such members a conduction gradient can be obtained and the temperature gradient effectively reduced. This is shown in Fig. 3.

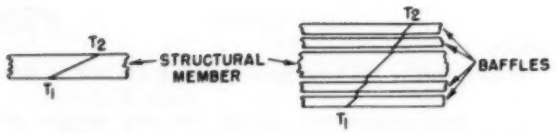

Fig. 3 Method of minimizing thermal stress by using baffles

When the temperature gradient is taken across the laminated structure the average temperature of the pieces is different and, therefore, there is movement between the laminations. Each lamination takes the temperature drop that is proportional to its thickness. The baffle thickness and the number of baffles can be adjusted so that not only steady-state temperature differences can be accommodated but also rapid transients. A rapid change in coolant temperature also will cause a transient-temperature gradient in a structural piece. These baffles protect against excessive stresses because of these transients.

By using the foregoing design principles the designer in almost all cases can reduce the thermal stresses to a value where they are no longer a problem.

Mechanism Problems

Since most reactors require mechanism for their control, a problem common to all are mechanisms operating reliably in high-temperature regions, in the coolant, and in radiation regions. These mechanisms must be highly reliable, particularly those in the high-temperature and radioactive regions.

With a liquid-metal system the designer has several conditions to factor into his design. Since the mechanism usually must provide a gas-and-liquid-metal seal, he can use the properties of the liquid metal for this. For certain applications he can allow the coolant to freeze and effectively make its own solder joint. Such a joint is effective because the pressure against which it is sealed can be low (less than 100 psi). This solder joint also can become a hazard if it binds a shaft so it cannot be actuated.

In so far as mechanisms are concerned, bearings offer another problem. All mechanisms have bearings of some sort, and the reactor designer's objective is to reduce bearing loads to an absolute minimum to obtain maximum life and reliability. This reliability is complicated by the fact that the lubrication properties of liquid metals are very poor. These objectives are obviously desired because of the difficulty of replacing bearings in a highly radioactive assembly that makes accessibility and maintenance exceedingly difficult.

Again, by simple and reliable design and emphasis on the different problems, these mechanism difficulties do not differ a great deal from normal practice.

With the review of some of the problems, it can be seen that design solutions do exist and there is really nothing too different about the design of liquid metal-cooled reactors. The major difficulty, that of lack of experience, has been overcome partially by experience on the SIR (Submarine Intermediate Reactor). With this experience, and a thorough analytical and experimental program, the problem of high reliability can be solved effectively. The accessibility problems are basic with nuclear reactors, but by recognizing the reliability and simplicity of design this limitation requires, designs can be made to give adequate accessibility.

Boiling Heat Transfer:

What Is Known About It

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Recently, a great deal of attention and effort have been directed toward obtaining a better understanding of boiling heat transfer. This recent emphasis has been motivated by the need to cool rockets, jet engines, and nuclear reactors. The importance of the subject is indicated by the estimated expenditure of approximately $3 million for boiling research during the past ten years. This paper attempts to answer these questions regarding so large an expenditure:

- **Why is such a large research effort necessary?**
- **Why is it so expensive to obtain fundamental boiling data?**
- **What progress has been made in the study of boiling?**

• Why Is Boiling Research Necessary?

In cooling a high-performance machine such as a rocket, jet engine, or nuclear reactor we are dealing with comparatively small volumes in which are generated tremendous quantities of heat. For example, the average heat generated per unit volume in a modern boiler is 10^4 Btu/ft^3 hr, whereas in a jet engine the heat generated is 10^7 Btu/ft^3 hr. In a rocket and in a nuclear reactor it might be as great as 10^9 Btu/ft^3 hr. One method of removing this heat or of cooling the confining structure is by utilizing boiling with its high heat-transfer rates and almost constant heat-transfer surface temperatures. Heat fluxes as high as 10,000,000 Btu/ft^2 hr have been obtained experimentally, and practical designs are possible with heat fluxes as great as 2,000,000 Btu/ft^2 hr. These heat fluxes can be contrasted to the heat flux in a modern boiler of about 100,000 Btu/ft^2 hr. Both applications use boiling heat transfer but of different types.

It is the characteristic of nuclear reactors and, to a large extent, of jet engines and rockets that they are constant heat-input systems. That is, regardless of the cooling rate a constant quantity of heat is generated, and if the cooling is inadequate the surface transferring heat will fail either by melting or possibly by very rapid corrosion due to its high temperature. If the cooling were to have been stopped in the experimental apparatus transferring heat at 10,000,000 Btu/ft^2 hr the surface would have melted in a fraction of a second.

The cost of reactors, jet engines, and rockets may run as high as several millions of dollars, and although nuclear reactors and jet engines are not inherently unsafe a coolant failure could be very serious in terms of human life. These then are the immediate and obvious reasons why a great deal more must be known about boiling heat transfer.

• Why Is This Research So Expensive?

Boiling heat transfer involves a change in phase from liquid to vapor. Where the viscosity, density, thermal conductivity, and specific heat of the fluid could be used to describe single-phase heat transfer, in boiling many additional properties are required. The surface tension, latent heat of vaporization, saturation temperature, density of vapor, and possible other properties of both the liquid and the vapor must now be considered. In addition to the physical properties of the vapor and liquid, the geometry and mass flow, which are known to affect single-phase heat transfer, must also be considered here. Also the character of the surface transferring heat, such as the type of metal, the roughness, and the adsorbed gas seem, under certain conditions, to affect the boiling heat-transfer results. In general, because of the large number of variables, a separate investigation is required for each combination of fluid and surface. When the conditions are unusual or extreme, which they are in many cases, the cost of the investigation is great. The time is near, however, when these separate investigations will no longer be necessary.

In most boiling investigations the determination of the heat-transfer coefficient is a small fraction of the entire amount of information required. Other items such as the maximum heat that can be transferred by the surface without overheating, the pressure drop, the stability of the boiling, the density of the fluid, and other related effects are of greater importance.

In summary, research in this field is expensive because of the complexity of the problem and the need for a wide variety of associated information.

• What Is the Status of Boiling Research?

The morass of terminology used to describe boiling is

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probably very confusing. Terms like nucleate, incipient, local, pool, film, pot, bulk, saturated, subcooled, net, forced convection are prefixes that have been attached to boiling. Many have overlapping meanings, and probably no one will agree completely to all of the meanings. In order to illustrate the various types of boiling, consider heating water in a pan on the stove. As the water is heated small gas bubbles will first form at the surface. These bubbles form because of a decrease in solubility of the gas in water with a rise in temperature. Shortly thereafter very small bubbles appear that rapidly grow and collapse at the heated surface. This is called nucleate boiling because the vapor bubbles start their growth on localized ridges or valleys in the heat-transfer surface, around small dirt particles, or around groups of gas molecules all being possible nuclei for the initiation of a bubble. The bubbles grow because the water next to the heat surface is above the saturation temperature. As the bubbles extend into water, which may be below the saturation temperature, they collapse. This type of boiling is called local boiling or subcooled boiling. When the bulk of the water is heated to its saturation temperature, bubbles detach from the heated surface and continue to grow in the bulk of the fluid. The bubbles are much larger, in many cases being merely masses of vapor. This type of boiling is called saturated, pool, pot, or net boiling. If the water had been stirred either when the temperature was below or at saturation temperature, forced-convection boiling would have been obtained. Consider now that the pan had boiled dry and that a small amount of water was then added to the hot pan. In this case drops of water would dance on the surface, being insulated from the surface by a film of vapor. This is called film boiling and is characterized by the film of vapor between the water and the heated surface.

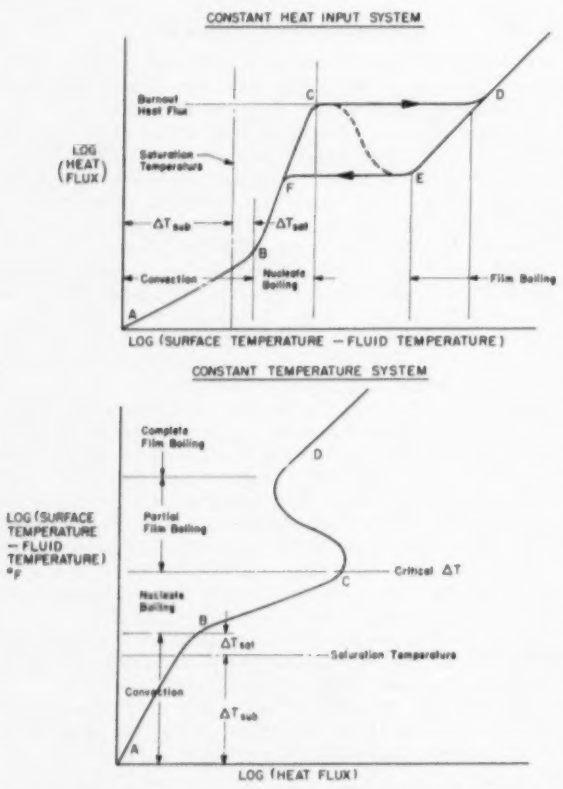


Fig. 1 Major difference between constant heat input and constant surface-temperature systems

Nomenclature

C_l = Specific heat of liquid, Btu/lb deg F
g = Acceleration of gravity
g_0 = Conversion factor, 4.17×10^8 (lb mass) ft/hr² (lb force)
G = Mass flow rate, lb/ft² hr
h_{fg} = Latent heat of vaporization, Btu/lb
m, C, C_{sc} = Constants
P = Pressure, psia
q'' = Heat flux, Btu/ft² hr
$q''_{B.O.}$ = Maximum or burnout heat flux, Btu/ft² hr
$q''_{conv.}$ = Heat flux by convection at fluid velocity, temperature and pressure Btu/ft² hr
V = Velocity, fps
Pr_l = Prandtl number
ρ_l = Density of saturated liquid, lb/ft³
ρ_v = Density of saturated vapor, lb/ft³
ΔT_{sub} = Temperature difference between the saturation temperature and the fluid temperature, deg F
ΔT_{sat} = Temperature difference between the surface temperature and the saturation temperature, deg F
μ_l = Viscosity of saturated liquid, lb/ft hr

Another method of classifying boiling information is by the type of heating used. The two classifications are the constant heat input and the constant surface-temperature system. The information required or obtained and the importance of the individual variables are considerably different for each case. Fig. 1 illustrates a major difference between the two systems and shows the variation of surface temperature with heat flux, which is the amount of heat flowing per unit of surface area per unit of time, for (*a*) a constant-heat-input system typified by a nuclear reactor and (*b*) a constant-temperature system typified by a heat exchanger in which heat is transferred from a liquid metal to boiling water. The curves are probably representative of forced convection, subcooled boiling, in which the fluid is below its saturation temperature at the heat-transfer surface and is being forced to flow past the surface. This relationship has not been completely experimentally verified. The curves are similar for boiling of a fluid at its saturation temperature and for boiling in which the flow is by natural instead of forced convection. This has been verified by experiment.

Except in the region of partial film boiling the two curves in Fig. 1 are identical, one being a mirror image of the other and rotated 90 deg. The reason the curves are drawn separately is to show the effect of a change in the independent variable. In both cases the independent variable is plotted on the ordinate and the dependent variable on the abscissa. In the case of the constant-heat-input system the independent variable is the heat flux whereas in the constant-temperature system it is the temperature difference.

Both curves are drawn for a constant pressure and constant bulk fluid temperature. At values of the surface or wall temperature below the fluid saturation temperature, heat is transferred by convection and is proportional to the temperature difference between the

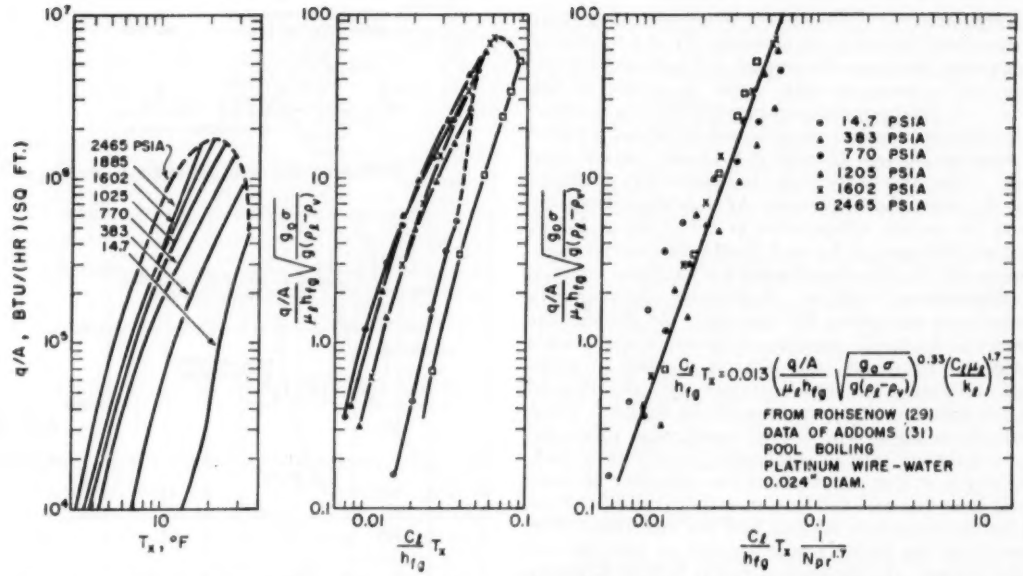


Fig. 2 How the Rohsenow formula was applied to correlate data of Addoms for pool boiling on platinum wire in water (ref. 11)

surface and the fluid. This is region AB. After the surface exceeds the saturation temperature of the fluid the heat flux rises rapidly with an accompanying small change in surface temperature. This region of nucleate boiling is designated as BC. Small vapor bubbles form rapidly due to the superheating of the surface and fluid adjacent to the surface. As they extend themselves into the subcooled or cooler fluid beyond the superheated film they quickly collapse.

In the case of a constant-temperature system as given by the lower curve, when the critical ΔT is exceeded, the heat-transfer rate decreases with increasing surface temperature. In this region there is probably a combination of two types of boiling. On part of the surface small bubbles still form and collapse and on another part of the surface, layers of vapor exist due perhaps to a lack of wetting or to the coalescence of the small bubbles. This layer of vapor effectively insulates the surface, thereby reducing to a small fraction the heat being transferred in the nucleate boiling region. This is region CD. Finally at point D the entire surface is covered by this thin layer of vapor through which heat is transferred by conduction and radiation. As the surface temperature is increased more heat is transferred. This is indicated by the curve beyond point D.

In the constant-heat-input system if the maximum heat flux is exceeded the corresponding temperature in the film-boiling region is great. In many cases, particularly for subcooled boiling, the surface temperature at D exceeds the melting point of the metal, and the surface is destroyed. As mentioned previously, melting might occur in a fraction of a second. If, however, the surface temperature in the film-boiling region does not exceed the melting point of the surface, then the region of film boiling behaves as previously described for the constant-temperature system. When the heat flux is reduced below the minimum point shown on the curve at point E, the surface temperature decreases to the value in the nucleate boiling region at the same heat flux, shown at point F. For a constant heat-input system the partial film-boiling region is unstable and therefore is difficult to determine.

Boiling Heat-Transfer Correlations

Numerous experiments have shown that boiling heat transfer as indicated by these two curves is not significantly dependent on the fluid velocity or the temperature of the fluid but does depend on pressure and the difference in temperature between the surface and the saturation temperature.

Surface temperatures have been correlated to ±15 F over a wide range of conditions in a constant-heat-input system with nucleate boiling. Table 1 shows a few of

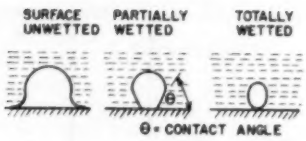
Table 1 Boiling Heat-Transfer Correlations

Formula	Source	Range of Variables
$\Delta T_{sat} = C q''^{0.25}$	McAdams	Subcooled water 60 to 90 psia 5 to 20 fps
$\Delta T_{sat} = 28 - 0.012P$	Rohsenow	Subcooled water 1000 to 2000 psia 10 to 30 fps
$\Delta T_{sat} = \frac{60\left(\frac{q''}{10^6}\right)^{1/4}}{e^{\frac{P}{900}}}$	Jens and Lottes	Subcooled water 85 to 2500 psia 3 to 40 fps
$\frac{c_f \Delta T_{sat}}{h_{fg}} = C_{sf}\left[\frac{q_B''}{\mu_l h_{fg}}\sqrt{\frac{g_0}{g(\rho_l - \rho_v)}}\right]^{0.33} Pr_f^{1.7}$ $q_B'' = q'' - q''_{conv}$	Rohsenow	Saturated pool boiling Subcooled boiling Variety of fluids 14.7 to 2000 psi 0 to 40 fps

these relationships. The surface temperature is normally correlated by ΔT_{sat}, as indicated by the difference in temperature between the surface and saturation temperature. ΔT_{sat} varies as the $^1/_3$ or $^1/_4$ power of the heat flux. At 2000 psi, for example, where ΔT_{sat} is about 5 to 6 F, the heat flux can be increased by about a factor of 10 with an increase of only 6 F in the surface temperature. The third formula indicates the pressure effect. At atmospheric pressure ΔT_{sat} is approximately 40 F and the surface temperature is 212 + 40 or 252 F, whereas at 2000 psia, ΔT_{sat} is 6 F and the surface temperature is 642 F. The final formula is the most general. Using dimensional analysis, Rohsenow arrived at a dimensionless correlation for boiling. He defined the conventional Reynolds number in terms of the bubble diameter and frequency, the Nusselt number in terms of the bubble diameter and heat flux, and the Prandtl number in terms of the properties of the liquid. When the formula is applied to forced convection subcooled boiling a quantity termed the boiling heat flux is used. The boiling heat flux is defined as the difference between the total heat flux and the heat flux that could be transferred by convection if boiling had not occurred. Fig. 2 shows how the formula was applied to correlate the data of Addoms. In the first curve the bubble Reynolds number is plotted versus the bubble Nusselt number. It is not until the liquid Prandtl number is used that the data are correlated as shown in the last set of curves.

Rohsenow indicates that many other variables influence nucleate boiling heat transfer. As a matter of fact, he introduces an arbitrary constant to account for different fluid and surface combinations. He indicates that probably the most important variable not included in his final dimensionless equation is the average bubble contact angle. Fig. 3 shows the bubble contact angle which is a measure of the degree of wettability of the fluid upon the surface. The contact angle decreases with greater wetting and the heat transfer increases. The increased heat transfer is probably because less surface is directly covered with vapor films and because the turbulence in the film of superheated fluid is greatest with the smaller bubbles since the bubbles probably grow and collapse more rapidly. Some recent work with boiling liquid metals adds a great deal of credence to Rohsenow's postulation. The results are also shown in Fig. 3. Sodium, sodium-potassium, and mercury with additions of 0.02 per cent magnesium and 0.001 per cent titanium indicate the familiar convection and the steep boiling relationship when the heat-transfer coefficient is plotted against the temperature difference. However, mercury, with and without 0.1 per cent sodium added, and cadmium, all of which do not wet the heat-transfer surface, apparently do not undergo nucleate boiling. It appears that a transition is made directly from the forced-convection region into the film-boiling region. These results not only verify Rohsenow's thesis but also indicate a possible mechanism to explain burnout.

In addition to the effect of wetting on boiling heat transfer there are other secondary effects. In very pure systems it is possible to superheat surfaces to very high temperatures. For example, at atmospheric pressure, liquid superheats of 76 F were obtained for pure water contained in a glass system at atmospheric pressure. Maintaining the purity of the water and the cleanliness of the surface is extremely difficult and in practical designs these high superheats are seldom obtained. The surface roughness also affects boiling heat transfer.



EFFECT OF WETTING ON BUBBLE SHAPE

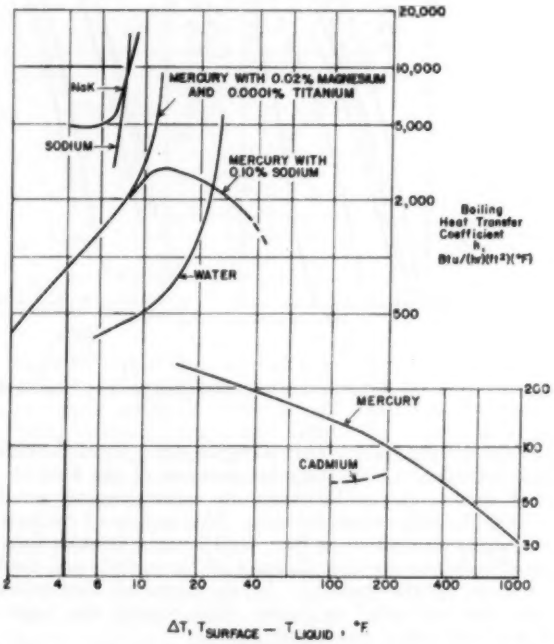


Fig. 3 Comparison of experimental boiling heat-transfer coefficients for water and liquid metals (ref. 2)

The rougher the surface the lower the temperature of the surface during boiling. Both adsorbed gas on a metal surface and dissolved gas in the fluid will initiate boiling at a lower surface temperature. As the gas is removed from the system the surface temperature will increase. The characteristic size of the surface such as a heated-wire diameter does not become important unless the size is of the same order of magnitude as a bubble.

Burnout

As mentioned previously the peak heat flux in a constant-heat-input system is most important data. In saturated pool boiling if the maximum heat flux is exceeded the surface temperature will increase to a higher temperature. In many cases, depending on the material, the surface will not melt or fail but will continue to operate at this high temperature. The prediction of this heat flux is believed to be quite reliable. Fig. 4 shows a correlation of data for these conditions. In addition to the data shown on the slide, several other investigators have obtained data for water which agree very well with the organic fluids used in the investigation shown in Fig. 4. The data were correlated as a function of the maximum heat flux divided by the critical pressure versus the ratio of the system pressure to the critical pressure. It should be noted that an additional

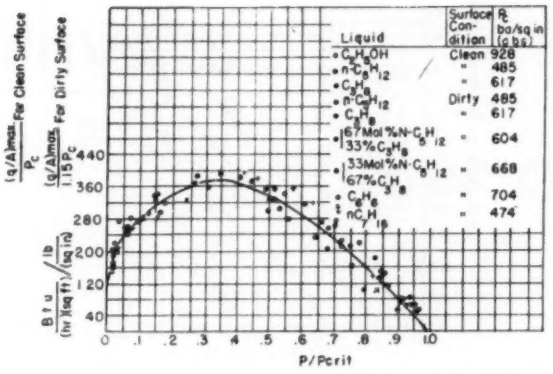


Fig. 4 Correlation of data for condition of peak heat flux or burnout (ref. 5)

constant of 1.15 was required to correlate data obtained for surfaces which were dirty. The maximum possible heat flux appears to occur around $^1/_3$ of the critical pressure which in the case of water is about 1000 psi with a heat flux of $1^1/_4 \times 10^6$ Btu/ft² hr. This is about three times greater than the maximum heat flux at atmospheric pressure.

For surface boiling with forced circulation the attainable heat fluxes are much higher than with pool boiling. A great deal of the research effort has been directed toward obtaining an understanding of burnout in this region. In most all cases the experimental data were obtained in a long heated tube. The tube generally burned out or started to overheat at the outlet end. The data reported were for the local calculated conditions at the exit of the tube where overheating started to occur. The resulting correlations are shown in Table 1. In the last correlation both the constant C and exponent m were found to be functions of pressure. Apparently only two variables appreciably affect burnout. The maximum heat flux varies approximately as the $^1/_2$ power of the velocity and with the 0.2 to 1.0 power of ΔT_{sub}. Except for this agreement the correlations are not too consistent or reliable. Due to the simultaneous occurrence of an increase in pressure drop at the outlet section of the heated tube, together with the critical conditions of flow, fluid temperature, and heat flux, that have been called burnout, a satisfactory correlation is difficult to obtain. If the increase in pressure drop is sufficiently large compared to the over-all system pressure drop the flow in the tube tends to decrease. Since the heat input is obtained by electric-resistance heating it remains practically constant and the temperature of the fluid at the outlet end of the heated tube increases, resulting in conditions more critical than before. The pressure drop continues to increase and the flow continues to decrease until the heated tube is void of liquid and it overheats and burns out.

This autocatalytic effect has a greater tendency to occur in experimental systems which use a centrifugal pump and in which a large part of the total available pressure drop occurs along the heated tube. In many cases the flow instrumentation does not have a sufficiently fast response to detect a sudden decrease in flow at burnout. The flow before the autocatalytic event occurs is usually the recorded flow.

In systems in which a special effort is made to insure positive flow, the data become more predictable and reproducible. Higher heat fluxes are then obtained for the same flow rate and temperature at the inlet of the heated tube.

Many of the applications of nucleate boiling are in systems in which pressure drop remains constant, such as in heated parallel-flow channels. Without knowledge of the pressure drop the data obtained in a constant-flow system are not generally applicable. For this reason and because of the seriousness of a burnout prediction, the data and correlations shown in Table 2 should be used with caution. The correlations are most reliable at the higher subcoolings because of the smaller increase in pressure drop at burnout.

Burnout for Net Boiling

A considerable number of experimental data indicated that heat fluxes as high as 3,000,000 Btu/hr ft² were obtained with calculated exit-steam qualities of 30 per cent (i.e., 30 per cent of the water by weight was vaporized at the heat-transfer surface). It was only with a great deal of difficulty that these data were obtained because of the high pressure drops that were developed. In a practical system it is normally not possible to attain these high fluxes. However, at reasonable fluxes and pressure drops, fluids that wet the heat-transfer surface can be vaporized to 80 per cent by weight without any large change in heat-transfer rates, if the surface transferring the heat is vertical and the heated passage has an L/D greater than 50. In the case of horizontal tubes or surfaces, flow separation might occur at very low qualities and the upper portion of the surface would overheat. Horizontal heat-transfer surfaces tend to overheat at the point where steam is first formed, since this is the point of lowest velocity and therefore the greatest possibility of steam separation.

Fig. 5 indicates the effect of length-to-diameter ratio for a vertically heated passage. As the length to diameter of the passage is decreased the exit quality at which overheating occurs decreases. In very short tubes the central core of liquid in the tube passes the heat-transfer

Table 2 Forced-Convection Burnout Correlations

Formula	Source	Range of Variables
$q''_{B.O.} = (400{,}000 + 4800\,\Delta T_{sub})V^{1/3}$	McAdams	V from 1 to 20 fps
$q''_{B.O.} = 7000\,V^{1/3}\,\Delta T_{sub}$	Gunther	P from 30 to 90 psia ΔT_{sub} from 20 to 100 F V from 5 to 40 fps P from 14 to 160 psia ΔT_{sub} from 20 to 280 F
$q''_{B.O.} = 520\,G^{1/3}\,\Delta T_{sub}^{0.2}$	Buchberg	V from 5 to 30 fps P from 500 to 2000 psia ΔT_{sub} from 3 to 160 F
$q''_{B.O.} = C\left(\frac{G}{10^6}\right)^m \Delta T_{sub}^{0.33}$	Jens and Lottes	

P, psia	m	C
500	0.16	0.817
1000	0.28	0.626
2000	0.50	0.445

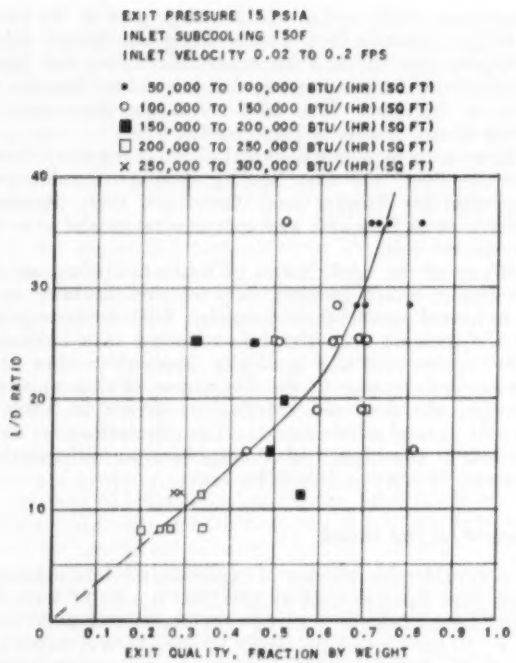


Fig. 5 Effect of length-to-diameter ratio for a vertically heated passage (ref. 3)

surface before it can be mixed in order to come in contact with the surface and be vaporized. Therefore a considerable fraction of the fluid cannot be vaporized and the tube overheats at relatively low qualities.

Boiling and Burnout With Two Components

Another item of significance in the utilization of boiling heat transfer is the boiling of a mixture of components, which are either miscible or immiscible. It is possible that burnout might be prevented by the addition of another fluid which has a slightly higher saturation temperature. Fig. 6 shows the heat-transfer behavior of a mixture of hydrocarbon fuels. The familiar increase in heat transfer is indicated when the surface temperature exceeds a prescribed amount. However, as the maximum heat flux is exceeded, the temperature of the surface appears to increase only to a value associated with the original heat-transfer coefficient. This temperature will probably not cause failure but might be used as a shutoff warning.

Summary

The status of boiling research can be summed up as having passed through a first stage, in which a great deal of emphasis was placed on determining the effect of the properties of the fluid, and surfaces on boiling heat transfer, and the maximum heat flux. The more subtle effects such as pressure drop, effect of wetting, and changes in density are presently being emphasized as the second phase of boiling research.

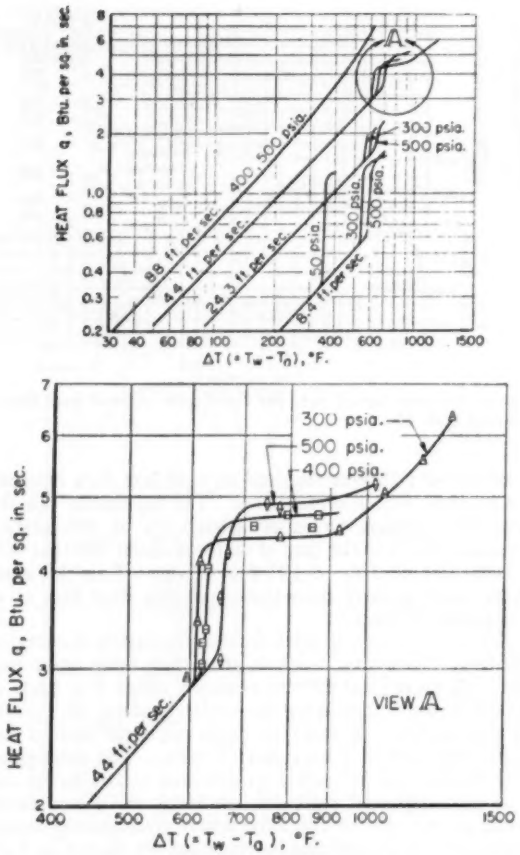


Fig. 6 Heat-transfer behavior of a mixture of hydrocarbon fuels (ref. 1)

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Physics . . .

Mother of Instrumentation

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Webster's Dictionary defines an instrument very broadly as a "means by which any work is performed." This essentially divides all devices into those which provide the necessary energy for the performance of work and those with which the work is performed. This is a very broad definition of instruments and reminiscent of the statement by the great mathematician, Leopold Kronecker, that "God made the integers and all the rest is the work of man," which might be paraphrased by saying, "God made the sources of energy or the prime movers and all else consists of man-made instruments."

WHEN interpreted according to Webster or Leopold Kronecker's statement, the subject of instrumentation is too broad to be discussed significantly in this brief presentation. In the following, therefore, I will consider instruments as devices which enable us to make quantitative measurements which may, in some instances, be extended also to affect human or automatic control in technical processes. Within this more limited definition would fall the great majority of the devices which are accepted as instruments in the sense of the Instrument Society, but crowbars, wheels, screws, and dental and surgical instruments would be excluded.

Contributions of Physics

Physics, being the quantitative science which deals with the interchange of energy in its various forms, is that area of basic study which is concerned with all of the phenomena involved in instrumentation and in this sense is appropriately considered the parent of instrument development. Very broadly speaking, physics has made two contributions to the development of human society. The first of these, which may well be the most important but is certainly the least tangible, is the contribution to the development of precision of definition and thought without which habit of thinking scientific and technical advances are not possible.

The second contribution of physics is to the material aspect of society through the provision of those technical aids to human effort which have multiplied the per capita efficiency of men to such an extent as to revolutionize the processes on which society depends.

Instruments are the most representative embodiment of the development of precise definition and thought and are the means whereby we are provided with the quantitative information upon which human or automatic judgments are made. They are also a major component in modern technology and, though properly speaking they are auxiliary or ancillary to the main technical processes of our society, they form an essential component of this technology without which it could not exist in the form in which we know it.

Beginnings of Instrumentation

The history of physics has been the history of human quantitative endeavor and the history of instruments has closely reflected the history of development in physics. The physical sciences all have their genesis in the area known to the ancients as natural philosophy, and the beginnings of our simple quantitative concepts in this area are reflected by the instruments whose genesis is shrouded in prehistoric antiquity.

We know that the inhabitants of the valleys of the Nile and the Tigris and Euphrates had devices for measuring the ratios of lengths which provide the measurement of angles, and also devices for measuring the fundamental quantities of length, mass, and time. In ancient Egypt and Babylonia, measuring rods, sundials, and beam balances were to be found, as were instruments for surveying and for the measurement of celestial as well as terrestrial angles. These are the earliest instruments of which we have any knowledge and are the earliest products of physical science and its application to the practical needs as well as to the satisfaction of the natural curiosity of men. It is idle to speculate as to the basic understanding by these ancient peoples of the principles which they were employing, because by the test of practical utilization they were entirely successful within the very generous latitude of precision which must be accorded them.

The development of instruments of this type, as well as those which were evolved in subsequent centuries, has been conditioned not only by our scientific curiosity and our imaginative attempts at its satisfaction, but

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also by the level of current technology and our ability to accomplish the degree of precision for which we have striven.

Phase of Classical Development

As physics became differentiated from the rest of natural philosophy, it passed through a phase of classical development extending nearly to the beginning of the present century, during which it was characterized by certain well-recognized subdivisions such as mechanics, electricity, heat, sound, light, and the properties of matter. The earliest developments and observations which led to the differentiation of these subdivisions and the definition of the subject matter within them have all been related to the development of the instruments that have characterized these divisions. The principles upon which these have operated are the fundamental principles distinguishing that area of physics, and it is almost impossible to separate the development of science and the development of the instruments and techniques which have accompanied it.

Intellectual speculation is sterile except when it is based upon the facts of observation, and it is these facts which have been supplied first by the early instruments that were developed, and later by their successive refinements as they have been brought about by technical development and by the cross-fertilization between scientific disciplines.

Basic Instruments of Mechanics

In mechanics, the three types of instruments for measuring length, mass, and time, each represents fascinating and instructive courses of development from the earliest forms to our present most precise methods, and each provides examples of the trend in physics toward unification in concept and co-operative progress between areas which in classical times appeared to have little or no relationship.

The history of the standards of length and their intercomparison involves the properties of matter in the establishment of constant standards and optics in methods of comparison; the same is true of standards of mass. The methods of measuring time, which provide possibly the most fascinating historical study of the three, have progressed through the early exemplifications of the sundial and clepsydra to our modern precise standards and the common timepieces in everyone's home or pocket which are instruments of high precision involving either the pendulum or the escapement.

In each of these three instances a further development is probably immediately ahead, based upon the unification of physics represented by the quantum theory of atoms and molecules. The most precise standard of time will undoubtedly shortly be that based upon the fundamental atomic or molecular frequencies. The standard of length will be derived from these frequencies and the invariable velocity of light, and the standard of mass will likely be the most convenient of the fundamental atomic particles.

This brief glimpse of the instruments associated with the most fundamental of physical measurements must suffice as an indication of the historical interest and development of such devices. Gradually, instrumentation has, of course, spread far beyond that applicable to such basic areas, and in mechanics alone, one has a proliferation of instrument types dealing with ratios of these entities, namely, instruments for measuring velocity, acceleration, pressures, densities, and so forth, under all types of conditions and all ranges of magnitudes of these entities.

In the Fields of Heat and Light

Principles of instrumentation exploited during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries were associated with those fields of physics which were themselves developing during that period, namely, the fields of heat and light. The primary measurement in the field of heat is that of temperature, and thermometers were extensively developed and perfected during this period. Of still greater general interest and applicability, however, was the development of instruments based upon the principles of geometric optics, such as microscopes and telescopes; these made their appearance during this era and were employed in astronomy and biology as well as in the physical sciences themselves.

The most prominent instrumental principles associated with the nineteenth century are those that evolved from the experiments leading to the several theories of light and to our present formulation of the laws of electricity and electromagnetism. The interferometer and its many variants have provided one of the simplest and most precise bases for instrumental techniques. The d'Arsonval, or moving-coil galvanometer, which supplanted the moving-magnet galvanometer, has furnished probably the most widely used instrumental principle to have emerged from the developments of the preceding century. Though early experiments in electricity were concerned rather with electrostatic instruments and moving-magnet galvanometers, the great advantages associated with the moving-coil instruments have made these basic in the field of electrical measurements, and largely through the versatility of this device electrical measurements now share with mechanical measurements the position of greatest fundamental influence in the field of instrumentation in our own day.

It is of some interest that the various devices which we have reviewed briefly are concerned directly with the measurement of thermal expansion, electromagnetic-wave properties, electromagnetic forces, and so forth, rather than with some of the central concepts of physics which have characterized the formulation of this science during the nineteenth century. Momentum, angular momentum, and energy are concepts which have come to assume a central importance, but they are highly derivative concepts not naturally related to direct instrumental measurement. Among common instruments the only one directly measuring work or energy is, for instance, the integrating wattmeter. This is suggestive of the extent to which, in the integration of the various fields of physics, scientific theory has been forced to a formulation in terms of concepts relatively remote from direct observation.

Concepts of the Present Century

The development of instrumentation characteristic of the present century has again been closely related to the enormous technical and ideological developments in physics itself. The work of physics has been concerned with the description of physical phenomena in terms of

atomic, and molecular, and nuclear concepts, and the discovery of the electron had probably as much influence on the direction of instrumental development as the discoveries by Ampere, Henry, and Faraday of electromagnetic forces. Electronics is possibly more a descriptive cognomen for a field of instrumentation than it is for a field of technology. The large range of power amplification, the speed of response, and convenience of the auxiliary components have combined in electronics to bring about a revolution in the older methods of instrumentation and to open up additional fields of application heretofore unavailable.

Electronic instrumentation has made possible the practical exploitation of the discoveries of nuclear physics. For the availability of nuclear explosives as well as nuclear power we are dependent upon the instrumental developments in electronics which characterized the preceding quarter of a century. While the utilization of free thermo or photoelectrons is commonly considered the basis of electronic techniques, this might well be expanded to include conduction phenomena in solids, liquids, and gases. Indeed, gaseous electronics is already a well-recognized subdivision of electronic instrumentation, and the thermistor and transistor and crystal rectifier are rapidly serving as central developments about which the next phase of electronic instrumentation is nucleating.

Advance of Atomic Physics

It is interesting to note that the progress of atomic physics during the first half of this century was characterized first by research in gas conduction, secondly by research in solid conduction, and that the development of atomic theory applicable to phenomena in these areas has been extensive and successful. Our theory of liquids has lagged behind our theory of gases and solids, but it is likely that intrinsically we have an equal interest in conduction phenomena in liquids, and that an expanded research program in this area may not only extend our knowledge of liquids but enable us to utilize them effectively in the area of electronic techniques with particular regard to their unique mechanical properties. This would enable us to extend very fundamentally and significantly the basis upon which electronic instrumentation rests.

The Regeneration Principle

The growth of instrumentation and the provision of precise information upon which human actions and control can be based is a fascinating story of scientific and technical accomplishment. However, the incorporation of the principle of regeneration, permitting the instrument not only to furnish quantitative information but itself to act upon this information in the absence of human control, may well appear to the future historian to be the most significant development of our technology. Of course the basic concepts of power amplification synchronized with an operational pattern is as old as the steam engine itself, for the ratio of the work done by the expanding steam to the work necessary to inject water to be evaporated is essentially a power-amplification factor and the synchronism of valves and pistons determines the phase relationship distinguishing regeneration from degeneration.

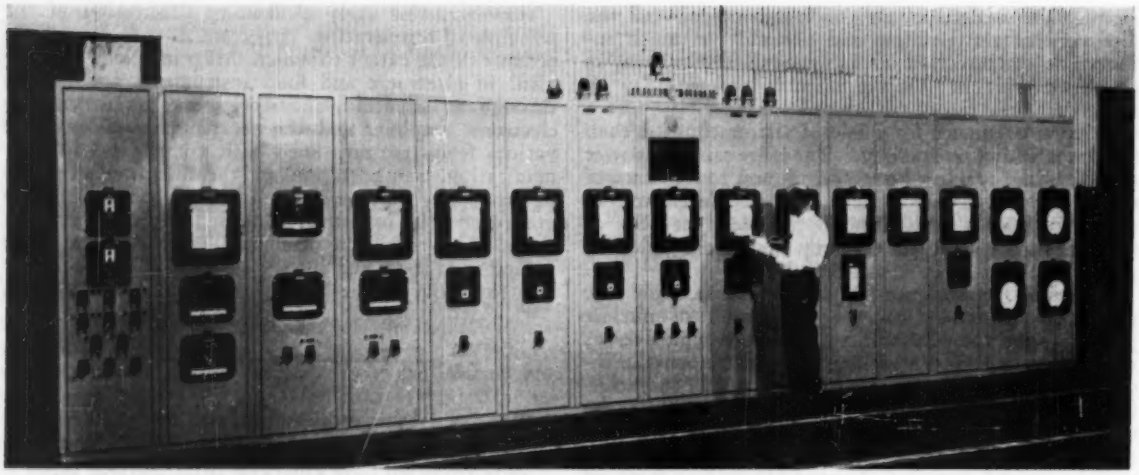
However, this early elementary illustration of the principle of regeneration, important as it is, gives little promise of the extent to which this principle is now applied in electronic and fluid instruments and devices throughout scientific laboratories and industry. The electronic amplifier and the servomechanism in their various forms are now such basic components in communication, transportation, and the utilization of power in our society that we realize it would be impossible to operate complex industrial plants and equipment without them. The reduction of human error and the great reduction in space and time and human effort which are brought about by the self-acting instrument constitutes a major social phenomenon in our technological society.

Physics is the mother of instrumentation not alone because the principles and rudimentary developments have emerged from physics laboratories, but also because the habits of thought, precision of definition, and rigor of analysis and synthesis have their genesis in the study of the physical sciences. These attitudes of mind no less than the technical products of industry have enabled the designers and employers of instruments to evolve methods and techniques for the employment of these devices and for their incorporation in the growing industrial and technical fabric now lifting the burden of drudgery from the backs of mankind.

The controlling instrument replaces a human being and in its proper role does an infinitely superior job in those functions which it is called upon to perform. Our technological development already has reached the stage where it would be impossible to conceive of telephone centrals or petroleum refineries or power stations operated by human beings without the existence of these devices, and we have probably made but a small start upon the opportunities which these present in raising the per capita efficiency of men.

Relieving Man's Burdens

The instrument used for control as a product of the physics laboratory bears some relationship to the role of physics in the development of precise thought habits among those familiar with its principles and methods. The instrument used for control liberates human beings from routine drudgery and enables the same number of technically skilled people to perform greater services for society as a whole. Our individual temperamental predilections are such that the time will never come when everyone is a scientist, but through the development of instrumentation and its use to control our processes, a small number of scientists may be able to perform the essential services to society which our technical civilization requires.



Panel with controlling, recording, and regulating instruments for practically automatic operation of continuous-annealing line

Continuous Annealing of Steel Strip— Controls for a High-Speed Line

Line cleans and anneals 30 tons of tin plate per hour

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THE continuous annealing of steel strip, in gages generally utilized in the tin-plate range, has been a common practice in several steel-processing plants for a number of years. However, the tonnages produced, per operating unit, were not large, and the operation did not make great inroads into the more common practice of box or bell-type annealing.

The many complexities involved in the building and operation of high-speed continuous-annealing lines, such as the metallurgical requirements, strip-tracking, and control features had been under consideration by equipment makers and steel producers alike, for an extended period. In 1951, through the combined resources of several equipment manufacturers and one major steel corporation, a line designed to operate at a production rate of 30 tons per hr, with but one exception triple that of any then in existence, necessitating strip speeds up to 1000 fpm, was installed and tonnages since obtained have proved the value of the continuous annealing operation as a major producing unit.

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The Strip-Pass Line

The line embodies all the features normally found in a major producing unit, to process materials at a rate commensurate with that of other units throughout the plant on an economically sound basis. It is designed to clean and anneal strip varying in gage from 0.0076 to 0.015 in. and in widths from a minimum of 18 to a maximum of 37 in. The production rate of 30 tons per hr is based on the processing of 0.0010-in-thick × 30-in-wide material at 1000 fpm.

While, in actuality, the line functions as a single continuous unit, with a strip-pass line 3000 ft long, for purposes of description it can be considered as consisting of three distinct sections, namely, uncoiling, furnace, and recoiling. The uncoiling section consists of two expanding mandrel-type uncoilers, pinch-rolls, up-cut shears, welder, electrolytic cleaner, and tension bridle. The furnace section contains the entry and exit looping towers, appropriate tension bridles, pinch-roll assemblies, automatic strip-tensioning device, and the furnace. The recoiling section consists of a dual-tension bridle assembly and two collapsible mandrel-type winding reels, each of which is equipped with an electronic side-

register control for the elimination of strip weave during the recoiling operation.

Looping Towers

The entry looping tower contains approximately 400 ft of strip in two free-hanging loops. Its purpose is to supply strip to the furnace section during the welding period. Loop position is governed by photoelectric controllers which are located at various fixed positions on the tower structure and which have auxiliary control over the speed of the uncoiling section, increasing or decreasing it as the loop positions dictate.

The exit looping tower has the same storage space available as the entry tower, but the normal strip-pass line is in the up or top of tower position, providing space for annealed plate when the recoiling section is stopped for the reel-changing operation. This tower also is equipped with photoelectric devices which exert control over the recoiling-section speed for loop-position maintenance.

Cleaning Strip

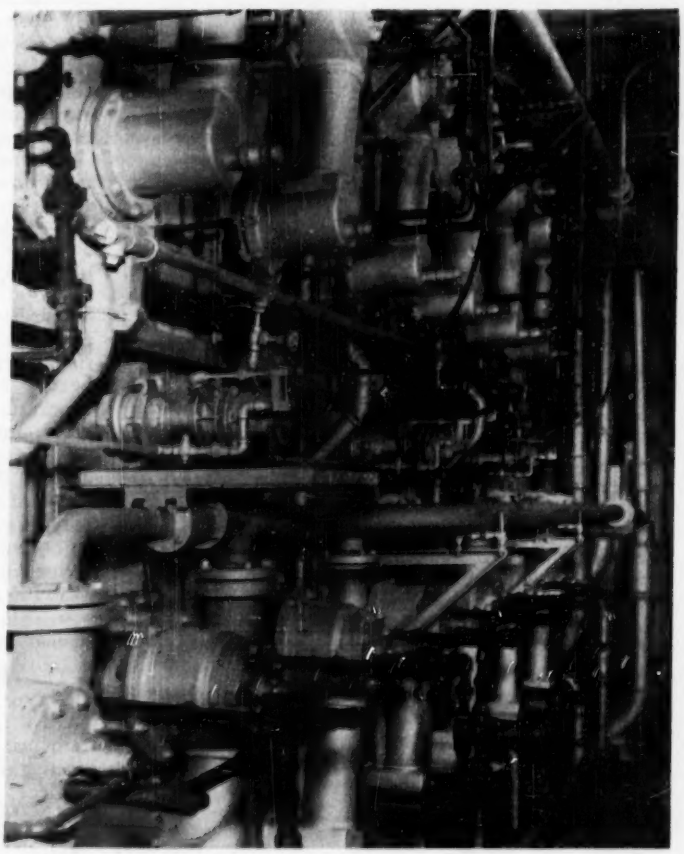
Strip to be processed is received direct from the cold-reduction mills still coated with the rolling solution. For this reason it was necessary to include an electrolytic cleaner as an integral part of the equipment. It contains four electrolytic and two nonelectrolytic passes. Current is supplied to two sets of grids from two 24-volt 7500-amp generators which are so connected, electrically, that the current direction is reversed automatically during each welding period stop. Approximately 7500 gal of solution, which is maintained at a salt concentration of 3 to 4 oz per gal, is contained in the continuously recirculating counterflow-type system. A basement reserve storage tank equipped with sediment-settling baffles is of sufficient size to hold all the solution during cleaner outage periods. The solution is continuously pumped from this tank to the strip exit end of the cleaner tank and then through a series of level-controlling weirs to the storage-tank return line. Control of the temperature of this system is accomplished by means of electronic-type instruments. The controlling instruments are of the air-operated type, actuating single-seated steam-flow-control valves on the condensate side of steam coils which are located in both the cleaner and storage tanks.

Following the electrolytic section is the four-brush scrubber unit with one set of brushes rotating on the top surface and the second set on the bottom surface of the strip. These brushes work in combination with high-pressure hot-water sprays which are supplied from auxiliary pumps and injector-type steam-water mixers. The control of the water temperature is accomplished by means of pilot-actuated valves whose temperature-detecting elements are located in the mixer-discharge line.

The final unit in the cleaner assembly is the "hot-water" rinse tank in which the strip, in two vertical passes, is immersed in a recirculating-type hot-water bath, the level of which is controlled by means of an overflow weir. Control of water temperature is accomplished in a manner similar to that for the cleaner section. As the strip is discharged from this bath, it passes through a series of hot-water sprays, which are supplied from the same-type system as that described for the scrubber section. Finally, it passes through a set of rubber wringer rolls, hot-air drier, and thence to the entry storage looping tower.

Strip-Tensioning

Of the 3000 ft of strip in the line, approximately 1800 ft is concentrated within the controllable tension zone of the furnace section. Strip is delivered to the furnace section from the entry looping tower by means of a dual drag-bridle assembly, and before entering the furnace proper, it traverses the pass line of an automatic strip-tensioning device. This device contains a movable roll assembly which is powered by means of a torque motor through a rack-and-pinion drive. Adjustment of the torque-motor field rheostat determines the initial tension applied to the strip, for its forces are such that it continually tends to drive the roll assembly in a down-



Close-up view of rayotube assemblies and supporting members in side wall of gas-fired heating zone

ward direction. The roll assembly also works in the light path of a modulating-type photoelectric controller, which governs the speed of the preceding bridle assembly. As a decrease in light reaching the photocell decreases the bridle speed slightly under line speed, the strip tends to tighten, thus developing a mechanical force opposing that of the torque motor. A decrease in tension requirements develops the reverse action. The modulating control feature is such that the two opposing forces are equal throughout any speed range for any given tension necessary.

Annealing Furnace

The furnace proper, with its four identified heating, holding, controlled-cooling, and fast-cooling zones, contains 1700 of the 1800 ft of strip, which is distributed according to the metallurgical demands of the product into thirty-four 50-ft-high vertical strands. The inclusion of this number of strip passes required the installation of forty-one rolls, each of which is equipped with a torque-motor drive. In operation, these motors overcome frictional and roll-weight loads but the strip, itself, provides the majority of the propelling force.

(A view from the entry end of the furnace, showing the gas-fired heating zone and heating tubes, appears as the frontispiece in this issue.)

Tracking of Strip

The tracking of strip in such quantity, with no possibility of mechanically correcting for errors, was early recognized as a trouble potential. Upon commencing operations, it was found that the line could not be operated at the designed speed of 1000 fpm. As a matter of fact, tracking was only fairly successful up to speeds of 300 fpm, after which the weave became excessive, even to the point that the strip would oscillate off the ends of the rolls into the furnace side walls. Attempted corrective measures, external to the furnace, such as a tilting roll, were entirely ineffective; and it was therefore decided that the "Lorig" automatic self-centering roll theories should be adopted. The initial installation of one split-shell-type centering roll, in combination with a narrow-bodied roll, immediately preceding the furnace, reduced the strip weave, entering the furnace, from a maximum of 5 in. to approximately $^3/_4$ in.

The Lorig Theories

Pursuing the Lorig theories that the guiding of strip, except in a few minor exceptions, should be accomplished with rolls free of strip edge pressures, the first several rolls in the heating zone were narrow-bodied and the tracking conditions immediately improved. Complete control of strip tracking at the 1000-fpm speed, as well as other desirable features, such as the exceptional improvement in strip shape and flatness, were the eventual benefits derived from the adoption of the narrow-bodied feature throughout the complete furnace-roll train.

The Lorig principles were further used in other sections of the line, such as the cleaner and tension bridles, and, in each case, improved operations to the extent that they are now accepted as a standard requirement for processes of this type.

Furnace-Sealing Rolls

The furnace must be operated as a gastight unit, and it is therefore provided with a set of sealing rolls at both the entry and exit ends, which exert a slight pressure upon the strip and which rotate in synchronism with the strip speed.

All other openings in the furnace, such as those for the burners, roll shafts, electrical heating-element connections, viewing glasses, and so on, are sealed to prevent leakage. Atmosphere gas is supplied to the unit from a main generating station and the total flow is measured by means of an orifice-type recording flowmeter located on the main control panel.

Controls and Recording Instruments

Distribution of this gas to the various furnace zones is controlled by means of flow valves and indicating meters of the rotameter type. Recording-type oxygen, hydrogen, and total combustibles meters also are provided and are connected to a common metering header from which it is possible to select any of six different sampling connections throughout the furnace.

The gas-flow and analyzing-recording system has proved to be a valuable asset for it continually produces a record of the furnace atmospheric conditions which are so much a measure of the quality of the product being produced.

Furnace pressures also are continuously recorded by means of a system which embodies an additional selective-sampling header and dual-pen pressure recorder, thus permitting the recordings at any of several different points on either the top or bottom of the furnace. Pressures normally are controlled and the flow of atmosphere gas altered according to the furnace-bottom conditions. The top of furnace indication also is essential as it forewarns the operator of excessive pressures which could result in ruptures to the sealing mediums.

Nominal capacity of the entire furnace is 30,000 cu ft and a flow of atmosphere gas of 15,000 cu ft per hr develops a bottom-furnace pressure of approximately $^1/_2$ in. water column.

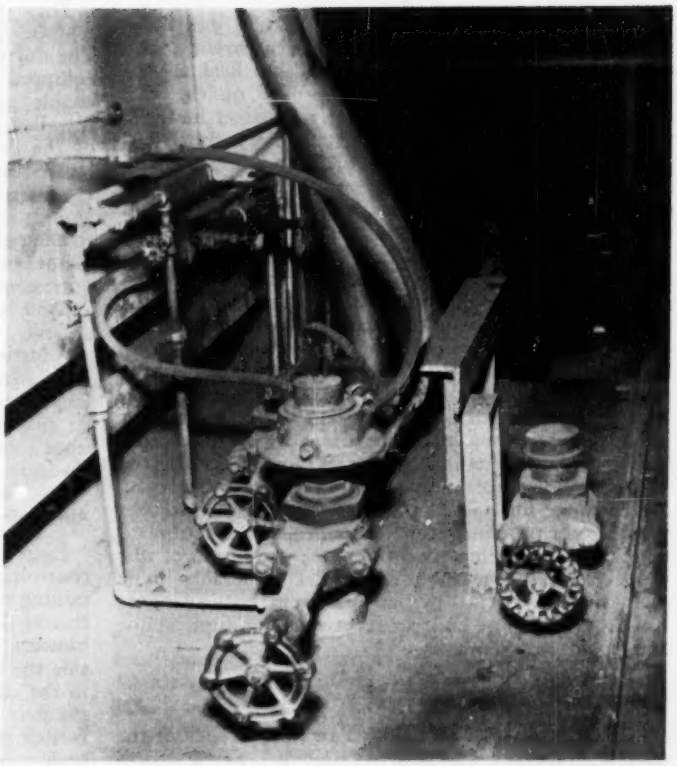
Heating Zone

The heating zone contains six strands of strip which pass over rolls spaced on 49-ft center lines. The effective heating length of each pass is 46 ft, producing a heating zone equivalent to that of a 276-ft-long horizontal furnace. A total of 107 radiant-tube heating elements are uniformly spaced along this pass line. Normally, each of these elements is operated at an input of 230,000 Btu per hr which is equivalent to an electrical input of about 67 kw. On this basis the total input may be considered as 24,500,000 Btu per hr or 7200 kw. In normal operation and at rated capacity, the requirements are 700,000 Btu per ton when heating strip to 1250 F.

Radiant-Tube Elements

The radiant-tube elements are specially designed for this type service and are equipped with automatic ratio-control devices and exhaust-gas heat exchangers to attain maximum fuel economy when burning raw coke-oven gas containing large amounts of sulphur, naphthalene, and tars. Both the radiant-tube elements, themselves, as well as the burners and heat exchangers, are designed for continuous service without outage for cleaning purposes. To facilitate maintenance, each element, including the radiant tube, burner, heat ex-

changer, and ratio-control device, is mounted as an integral assembly on a refractory-lined bung, fitting into the furnace wall and is so arranged that it can be removed as a unit with a rig similar to that of the roll-changing booms without disturbing the exhaust or fuel-supply piping.



Direct-sight-type rayotube installed in tunnel roof between heating and holding zones. Air-cooling piping to jacket and inert-gas-atmosphere connections also are shown.

Controls

For control purposes the 107 elements are divided into six zones, the location of which generally approximates the path of the strip through the chamber. Temperature-controlling equipment, per zone, consists of a radiation-type temperature recorder-controller, duration adjusting time-type relay and high-speed valve-drive mechanism. The radiation units, which are of the closed-end type, are provided with air-cooling heads and injector-type nozzle assemblies making possible the use of small amounts of atmosphere gas for purging the closed-end tubes, a practice which has been found so essential for the prevention of lens condensation.

The automatic temperature controllers function in conjunction with ratio-controlling devices which are designed to maintain constant fuel-air ratios, with widely varying air temperatures, over a turndown range to approximately 20 per cent of maximum flow. At ratings below this point, air is increased over normal in order to insure steadily oxidizing conditions at all times on the interior of the radiant-tube elements. The use of this accurate ratio-control system enables economical operation even though the pulse or on-off control rate is extremely high; consequently, the temperature-control system may be operated to give optimum results, from the standpoint of control accuracy, without regard to the effect on the radiant tube.

Combustion

The combustion air and fuel gas are propelled through the radiant-tube elements by means of suction applied at the exhaust outlet and it can therefore be seen that with all sections of the tube, internal to the furnace, being under suction or negative-pressure conditions, under no circumstances can contamination of the furnace atmosphere occur because of leaks in the combustion system. The exhaust gases are led through streamlined aircraft-type exhaust manifolds to jet-pump exhausters which provide the necessary suction and in addition raise the pressure of the flue gases sufficiently to exhaust them, through ductwork, from the building.

In addition to serving as heating elements, the combustion system also provides accelerated action in the event it is necessary to cool the furnace chamber quickly for any reason. By remote push-button operation and also automatically in the case of a line stop, it is possible to shut off the fuel gas and to increase the combustion-air supply approximately 40 per cent over normal, which provides a quick-quenching of the zone by means of the radiant-tube elements. To permit this rapid cooling of radiant-tube structure or supports, the tubes are free to expand in any direction with respect to their mounting plates.

Holding Zone

As the strip leaves the furnace zone, it enters a tunnel leading to the holding zone. Installed in the roof of this tunnel is an open-end or direct-sight radiation receiver which is electrically connected to an additional temperature recorder on the main control panel. This unit is in an ideal location for this type temperature measurement due to the tunnel length, and the only radiation effective to it is that received from the strip itself, thus resulting in a nearly constant emissivity factor. The receiver, which is focused directly on the strip, is mounted on a pipe-stool arrangement which contains an atmosphere-gas connection, its purpose being to pressurize the tube to an amount of slightly greater magnitude than that of the furnace pressure, thus preventing the hot furnace gases from fogging or damaging the lens system. Calibration of this unit is accomplished by means of a low-range optical pyrometer which can also be sighted on the strip in close proximity to the field of sight of the radiation unit. All line operations are based on the temperatures recorded by this instrument and therefore heating-zone temperatures and line speeds are adjusted in accordance with its indications.

Soaking Section

The holding zone, with its six vertical strands, provides a soaking section 300 ft in length. Ribbon-type electrical elements, which are suspended on the four side walls by either refractory or alloy-steel hangers, provide the heating means and these, for control purposes, are divided into four distinct sections. The total input available is 900 kw, and the speed of heating response may be altered manually by means of a control which provides either a Y or delta-input connection. Four temperature controllers of the two-position or on-off type with iron-constantan thermocouples, which are mounted in the zone side walls and which protrude through the brickwork to a point where they are receptive to the zoned-element temperatures, complete the control complement. The connecting tunnel between the holding and controlled cooling zone contains a radiation-type temperature receiver unit duplicating that previously described in the heating-zone exit position. Calibration of this unit, however, is more difficult as the viewed strip temperature is below the commonly accepted range for optical pyrometers which necessitates the use of a proximity-type thermocouple of calibrated length and indicating potentiometer. Adoption of this type calibrating method required considerably more study than the optical pyrometer system, but experience has proved it to be entirely repetitive and duplicatable and therefore acceptable.

Controlled Cooling Zone

Strip temperatures in the two vertical strands of the controlled cooling zone may be raised or lowered according to demand either by electrical heating elements suspended on the zone side walls or by a series of air-cooling tubes which are so mounted horizontally in the zone that each strand of strip passes between a cooling-tube bank. Control for this operation required the utilization of a duplex interlocking system of instruments wherein a proportioning type recorder-controller regulates the flow of air through the cooling tubes and two on-off-type indicating instruments, with thermocouples located in the zone side wall, control the operation of the heating elements.

Fast-Cooling Zone

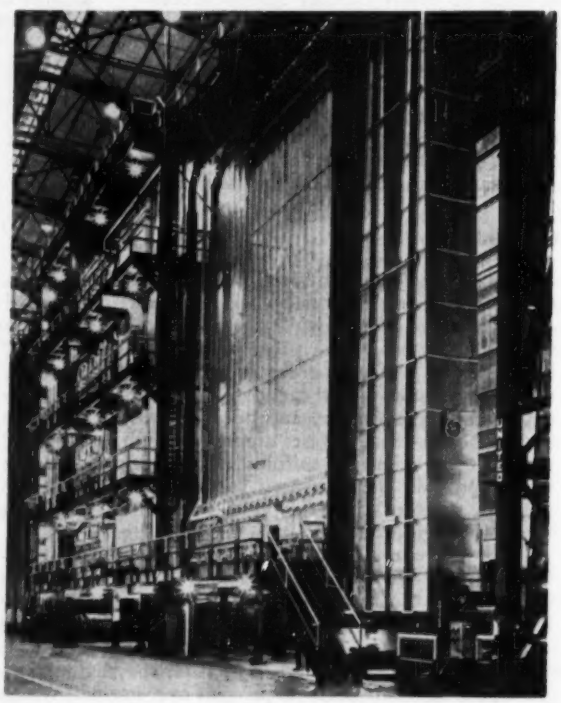
The function of the final furnace section, identified as the fast-cooling zone, is to reduce the temperature of the strip under controlled-atmospheric conditions, to such a level that the strip can be exposed to normal room air without the formation of undesirable surface oxides. To accomplish this, the strip traverses twenty individually water-jacketed vertical chambers which afford, through connections with the roll-container housings at both the top and bottom of each chamber, a continuous pass line of 1000 ft. Early recognition was given to the necessity of applying a controlling medium to the water supply for the jackets, as unrestricted flows permitted excessive cooling, creating buckling conditions in the light-gage strips. The natural tendency of the strip edges to cool more quickly than the strip center, causing excessive edge tensions, was also a factor as these tensions did not permit strip movement for alignment purposes on the carrying rolls and the diagonal tension strains therefore often resulted in severe buckling and strip breaks.

These faults were eliminated by the installation of temperature controls and a water-recirculating system. The ducts are now divided into two zones and each is equipped with an electronic-type instrument, thermocouple, and air-operated control valve. The valves are installed in the header supplying water to the bottoms of the ducts while the controlling thermocouples are located in the overflow lines at the top. This permits the instrument to control the flow of water according to any set temperature point. The overflow water returns to the recirculating system, the temperature of which is maintained at a point somewhat below the duct requirements by means of a third instrument and valve capable of supplying the cold make-up water to the system.

Additional cooling benefits are derived by the recirculation of the atmosphere gases in this zone and two fans are provided for this purpose. Their operation may be controlled either manually or by automatic means from a switch mounted on the line-speed motor-operated rheostat.

Air-Cooling Section

External to the furnace proper, but still within its controllable tension zone, is an air-cooling section containing two vertical strands. The strip, in these passes, travels between two sets of chambers supplied from blowers whose inlets are such that air is obtained outside the building and is blown upon the strip from slots in the chamber walls. This air-cooling system reduces the strip temperature to a point where it can be processed further through the handling equipment and recoiled at such a temperature that extensive cooling periods, before temper-rolling, are eliminated.



View from delivery end of furnace showing water-cooled and air-cooled conveying passes

The New Atomic Energy Law—

What It Means to Industry

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The Atomic Energy Act of 1954 is a wholly new Act—not a mere tinkering with the old Act. This new Act does two main things:

1 It affords private industry a larger role in the development of atomic energy.

2 It provides a framework for a greater degree of co-operation with other nations in the field of atomic energy.

PROBABLY the dominant change in the new Atomic Energy Law is that the Government monopoly in the field of atomic energy has been substantially reduced. In 1946 the Congress felt that the Government must retain ownership of both fissionable material and of the facilities, like reactors, which produce that material in significant quantities. The new Act, while continuing to stress the necessity for close Government scrutiny, moves in the direction of control by Government regulation rather than control by Government ownership. Private industry may now own and operate "production facilities"—like reactors. The new Act does not, however, go all the way in eliminating the Government monopoly since it retains the requirement for Government ownership of all "fissionable material"—now called "special nuclear material." This new term is broadly defined so that materials essential to the fusion process could be found to be "special nuclear material." The term fissionable material has been dropped since it was deemed to have too restrictive a connotation—that of covering the fission process only. Apparently one of the decisive reasons for retention of Government ownership of this material was the fear of an emergency in which all special nuclear materials might be needed for military use. It was felt that retention of ownershp would make it easier to recapture all that material, if the need should ever eventuate.

It should be emphasized that the new Act does not remove the Government from civilian atomic development. It does not represent a shift of authority and responsibility for atomic development from the Government to industry. The concept of the new Act is that both the Government and industry must work concurrently and co-operatively in this development. As stated by the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy in its report accompanying the bill, the new provisions "aim at encouraging flourishing research and development programs under both Government and private auspices." The premise is that the efforts of both Government and industry will be necessary to a speedy and resolute attack on the problems of developing the civilian atom. Teamwork is the key.

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Control Features of Act

In analyzing the control features of the Act it is well to remember that the reasons for the controls are stated, in many places, to be twofold: (1) To assure the common defense and security and (2) to protect the public health and safety.

It will be helpful to view the new Act in the light of two kinds of controls—controls over facilities and controls over materials. For both the basic control mechanism is licensing by the AEC. In other words, a formal AEC permission is needed to engage in certain activities. Taking facilities first—the new Act refers to two kinds of facilities—production facilities and utilization facilities. In general, the former refer to equipment or devices capable of producing special nuclear material. Utilization facilities refer to equipment or devices capable of using that material or atomic energy.

The concept of utilization facilities appears to be broader than that of production facilities. Utilization facilities are those which use either atomic energy or special nuclear material, whereas production facilities relate only to the production of special nuclear material. Since atomic energy is also broadly defined it may be that many kinds of devices will be treated as utilization facilities. At least, at this time, utilization facilities should not be thought of as being limited to reactors.

Both types of facilities are defined very generally and the AEC is given broad authority to spell out in detail what specific devices and equipment are covered. Thus, for example, the AEC may conclude that a particular facility will not be capable of producing special nuclear material in such quantity as to be of significance to the common defense and security, or in such manner as to affect the health and safety of the public. In that case an individual would not be required to obtain a license for a production facility although he might have to obtain a license for materials. The Act does not require a license for all facilities which use or produce special nuclear material.

Also the definition of both types of facilities includes important component parts of the total facility. There is a separate provision which appears to embody a con-

gressional recognition that some component parts may really be conventional industrial parts not needing the same degree of regulation as those portions of a facility which are peculiarly nuclear. The new Act accordingly provides that the AEC may determine that certain component parts need not be subject to a specific licensing system but that the AEC may issue a general over-all license to cover all companies or individuals who desire to engage in the specified component-part business. By this general licensing device the burden of individual applications may be eliminated.

Licensing

In general, if you want to do almost anything with devices defined by the AEC as production or utilization facilities, you will need a license. Among the purposes for which licenses are expressly required are manufacture, possession, and transfer. The statute does not define the exact extent of the projected licensing system. This will have to be spelled out by AEC regulation.

The kind of license that may be required for a facility will depend on the use to which the facility is put. Here it is important to distinguish between "commercial licenses"—and licenses for medical therapy and research and development. Commercial licenses relate to facilities which the AEC has declared to be sufficiently developed to be of practical value for industrial or commercial purposes. Several important differences flow from the distinction between these two types of licenses. As an example, you may receive less assistance from AEC if you have a commercial license than if you have a research and development license. To be specific, the Act requires the AEC to charge for special nuclear material distributed to a commercial licensee. AEC may, if it desires, distribute material free of charge to research and development licensees.

To take another distinction between these two types of licenses: Before commercial licenses can be issued by the AEC, it must inform the Attorney General and he in turn must advise the AEC whether issuance of the proposed license would "tend to create or maintain a situation inconsistent with the antitrust laws."

In addition, a separate license is required for individuals who manipulate the controls of a licensed facility. The idea of this requirement is apparently to establish a licensing system similar to that of the Civil Aeronautics Authority for airmen—in order to assure that only fully qualified persons will actually be operating atomic facilities.

Materials

Three kinds of materials are dealt with—source material, by-product material, and special nuclear material. The Act provides a licensing system for each type. Both source materials, like uranium ore, and by-product materials, like radioisotopes, may, as under the 1946 Act, be owned and used by private persons—subject to an AEC licensing system. The new Act contains separate provisions expressly authorizing the foreign distribution of isotopes both by the Government and by private owners of facilities which produce isotopes. Controls over source material and by-product material do not appear to have been changed substantially.

For the third kind of material—the special nuclear material—private ownership is absolutely prohibited. This ban on private ownership applies not only to material produced in Government-owned facilities but also to new material which a private owner may produce in his own facility. This results in the unusual situation of the production of a privately owned plant being "property of the United States."

Even though all special nuclear material must remain the property of the United States, the new Act does provide a greater promise for more widespread availability of this material to private persons. Eliminated is the requirement of the 1946 Act that no private person may receive an amount of material sufficient to construct an atomic weapon. Furthermore, there is express provision in the new Act for a determination by the President at least once each year of amounts of special nuclear material that may be distributed by the AEC.

It is worth noting that both source and special nuclear materials are defined in the new Act in such a way as to enable the Commission to declare additional materials to be either source or special nuclear material. Hence new materials which may in the future be needed in the atomic or thermonuclear program can be brought under the control provisions of the Act. The potential industrial consequences of adding materials to the present list of special or source materials are great. Suppose, for example, that the Government decided to declare a new material to be special nuclear material; at that point private ownership of that material would be barred, and just compensation would have to be paid to all private owners. Before new materials could be added, however, the AEC must get the approval of the President and must formally advise the congressional Joint Committee on Atomic Energy.

It is clear that the situation of a privately owned factory using, and also producing, material which is entirely owned by the United States will create many problems not the least of which is that of pricing; for industry will have to pay the Government for the special nuclear material it uses, and the Government will have to pay for material which industry produces. The amounts of these payments are not spelled out in the Act—only general rules are set forth. For example, if you are a commercial licensee you must pay the AEC a "reasonable charge" for the use of the special nuclear material you acquire from the AEC. Conversely, the AEC will pay you a "fair price" for the special material which you may produce in your privately owned facility.

Furthermore, the AEC is authorized to establish guaranteed prices for all special material delivered to it within a specified period, not to exceed seven years from the date of the announcement of the guaranteed price. This guaranteed-price technique has been employed for some years now by the AEC in regard to raw materials delivered to it. This provision may be of importance in the fashioning of arrangements for dual-purpose reactors.

Other important licensing provisions deal with such

questions as the duration of licenses, the various means by which licenses may be revoked, and with such problems as what compensation, if any, private persons may receive in the event of a license revocation. These are, of course, important questions to anyone considering the investment of substantial sums of money in an atomic facility.

The Act contemplates activity by both Government and industry—concurrent and co-operative activity. The Act recognizes that the AEC may be in a position to provide materials and services to industry which industry cannot get elsewhere, and authorizes AEC to make such materials and services available to industry. The AEC may, for example, enter into agreements for the private use of fabricating or refining facilities owned by the AEC. The Act also authorizes AEC to conduct in its own facilities and laboratories, research and development projects for private companies. These powers may prove to be of great practical importance in the fashioning of co-operative arrangements between AEC and industry to speed atomic development. Such arrangements must, however, be drawn in the light of the "no subsidy" provision of the Act which, in general, provides that no AEC funds shall be employed in the construction or operation of licensed facilities. This no subsidy provision does not, however, limit the use of AEC funds for contracts and other arrangements entered into pursuant to the AEC's general authority to provide research and development assistance.

AEC's Role in Distributing Power

The provisions relating to AEC assistance to industry lead now to a brief discussion of AEC's own role in distributing power. There was considerable discussion in the Congress on this issue. In general this is the way the Act resolved it. The AEC may build experimental power facilities in furtherance of its research and development responsibilities. It is authorized to dispose of power produced at these experimental facilities, as well as power produced as a by-product of AEC production of special nuclear material. The AEC is excluded from engaging in the atomic-power business as an independent function. It is provided, however, that Government agencies other than AEC—such as TVA—may obtain licenses from the AEC to engage in the distribution of power if those other agencies are authorized by law to do so. The effect of these provisions is to postpone for future legislative consideration the role of the Government in producing, marketing, or distributing electric energy.

Control of Information

There is a broad and special category of information called "restricted data" over which the AEC has great control. The concept of restricted data goes back to the 1946 Act and is retained in the new Act. This category of information is very broadly defined to include not only all data concerning design, manufacture, or utilization of atomic weapons, but also data concerning the production of special nuclear material or the use of special nuclear material in the production of energy. Excluded from this definition are data declassified or removed from the category of restricted data by action of the AEC.

In the new Act Congress recognizes the importance of the free flow of information to the fullest extent consistent with the national security. Express recognition is given to the importance of disseminating information in furthering industrial progress as well as to scientific progress. Furthermore the new Act clearly recognizes that questions of releasing information from the restricted-data category frequently involve a difficult balancing of benefit to the nation against the disadvantages of informing unfriendly nations. A test of not releasing any information which might be of benefit to another nation is not the answer. Viewed narrowly, it can plausibly be argued that the release of almost any information, including the morning's newspaper, may be of some assistance to an unfriendly nation. The new Act meets this general problem by establishing, as a declassification criterion, whether the information may be published "without undue risk to the common defense and security." For the first time, the AEC is expressly charged by law with the affirmative responsibility of determining, from time to time, what information can be declassified—and thus published—in accordance with the "undue risk" criterion. Included also, for the first time, is a provision that the AEC shall have no power to control or restrict the dissemination of information outside of any powers granted by any law.

It should also be pointed out that there is a direct relationship between the control of information provisions and the fulfillment of one of the basic purposes of the Act—that of encouraging "widespread participation" in atomic development. For if it is possible to declassify and publish information needed by those desiring to engage in atomic business there will be a greater chance of such widespread participation. Where it is not possible to declassify and publish needed information, it must be handled in accordance with Government requirements and clearances. And the difficulties of obtaining widespread participation may be substantially increased. Furthermore, the publication of information probably has the effect of reducing the anxieties that have been expressed concerning the commercial advantage—or appearance of advantage—possessed by those who have access to classified information.

Personnel Clearance

The new Act also contains several important changes with respect to personnel-clearance requirements. Under the original Act the same clearance and investigation requirements applied to all personnel employed by the AEC and its contractors whether those employees would have access to very sensitive atomic information or only to small amounts of restricted data of minor-security significance. The new Act recognizes that there are varying degrees of sensitivity of information within the restricted-data category. The AEC is accordingly authorized to establish the scope and extent of investigations to be conducted, depending upon the degree of importance to the common defense and security of the restricted data to which access will be permitted. This authority may enable the AEC to streamline its clearance system and possibly to provide quicker clearances where the information involved is of a relatively low order of security significance. On the other hand, it may be that the creation of different categories of atomic clearances will pose new administrative problems for the Commission and for those in the atomic industry—problems, for example, of segregating people with different degrees of atomic clearances.

Another clearance change is that the AEC may now authorize contractors and licensees of the Commission to

give Department of Defense personnel access to restricted data based upon their military clearances instead of requiring a separate and additional AEC clearance. This change may result in easier working relationships between AEC contractors and licensees and the military.

The requirement for security clearance of licensees is extremely important. The new Act provides that prospective licensees for facilities must agree in writing not to permit any individual to have access to restricted data until that person receives AEC security clearance. Thus the personnel-clearance system of the AEC will extend beyond employees of the Government and of Government contractors to employees of AEC licensees even though those licensees will be operating privately owned facilities.

Government Organization

With respect to Government organization, the relationship between the AEC and the other agencies of the Executive Branch, notably the Defense Department, remains essentially the same. In so far as the organization of the Commission is concerned, the General Advisory Committee and the Military Liaison Committee are not substantially changed. Express recognition is given to the Office of General Counsel, in view of the importance of the many complex legal problems which the new licensing and regulatory provisions will present. Created for the first time is an Inspection Division. This Division has the duty of gathering information to ascertain whether contractors and licensees are complying with the provisions of the Act and the rules and regulations of the AEC. Apparently, complaints regarding the operations of licensees under the Act can be referred to this Division. Provision is also made for the organization of a division or divisions charged with the primary responsibility for the development and application of civilian uses of atomic energy.

In so far as the role of Congress is concerned, the Joint Committee is certain to be far more than a side-line spectator. The new Act emphasizes the continuing interest of the Joint Committee in the "state of the atomic-energy industry." The Committee is required to hold hearings—open or closed—during the first 60 days of each session of Congress to inquire into the development and growth of the atomic-energy industry.

As under the old Act, the AEC is required to keep the Joint Committee fully and currently informed. A similar affirmative responsibility is now placed on the Defense Department. Furthermore, all other Government agencies are now required to furnish the Committee, at its request, any information with respect to their activities in the field of atomic energy.

The new Act further strengthens the role of the Joint Committee by requiring that advance notice be given to the Committee before certain actions can be taken. Two examples are: First, the addition of new materials to the list of source and special nuclear material; and second, the granting of long-term contracts for the purchase of power, such as the Dixon-Yates proposal.

Another change which presumably will result in closer scrutiny by the Joint Committee is the requirement that AEC obtain specific congressional authorization for the acquisition or condemnation of real property, as well as for plant construction or expansion. Heretofore the 1946 Act provided a broad and continuing legislative basis for AEC's construction and expansion programs, and AEC had only to go back to Congress for periodic appropriations.

With the new requirements of specific authorization, presumably the AEC must now go through a two-stage congressional process. First, it must appear before the Joint Committee and seek to obtain a statute approving the particular project. Second, it must go before the Appropriations Committees and seek to obtain from the Congress the appropriations necessary to carry out the particular project.

The Congress has now set forth a new national policy for the development of civilian atomic energy. It was dealing with many unknowns and imponderables. Therefore it is not surprising that the new Act should be framed in broad terms.

Furthermore, the Congress was dealing with a complex and intricate subject. And it is not too surprising that the Act should contain ambiguities.

Congress has supplied the direction and the general boundaries. The Executive Branch—and in particular the AEC—is given great discretion to supply the specific content. A reading or study of the new Act will not yield answers to many of the questions which industry and others have. In this sense the Act represents only the beginning.

A full appraisal of what industry can do under the Act cannot now be made. This must await the issuance of the detailed AEC regulations and the accumulation of some experience in administration.

In commenting here upon the responsibilities and the vast discretionary powers entrusted to the AEC, we must not lose sight of the opportunities and obligations of industry to help in effectuating the new national policy for developing atomic energy. This obligation of industry cannot be discharged only on the scientific and technological front. Also needed are ingenuity and imagination in devising techniques—legal, economic, financial, and otherwise—for fitting the civilian atom into the more normal framework of American life.

Editor's Note: The provisions of the bill relating to patents and inventions, private-company activities outside the United States, and greater details on licensing were also discussed at this meeting. The substance of these presentations will appear in a Proceedings to be published by the Atomic Industrial Forum.

Theory of Maintenance of Rolling Stock

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When and how much maintenance of rolling stock should be performed is a problem involving human judgment, which can be aided greatly by scientific analysis. The theory of failure and its application to complex equipment is a field which has been explored in several connections and has been applied in many industries. The authors indicate some of the applications of this theory to replacement and maintenance programs for rolling stock on the railroads.

In general, the "life" of a physical system may be defined as the maximum amount of service which may be derived from the system before it fails to perform the basic task for which it was designed. For example, a rail has failed when it no longer can support the weight of a train; a brake shoe has failed when it is so badly worn or cracked that it no longer can be held in position on the wheel. The life thus represents the ultimate service which possibly can be attained.

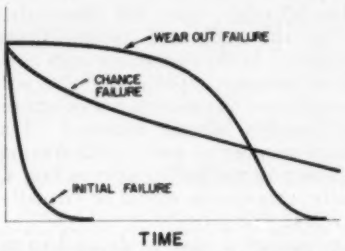

Fig. 1 Life curves of equipment, illustrating three general types of failure

In the case of complex equipment, made up of many individual components, the continued operation of the system may depend on the continued operation of each of its components. Such a system is said to be serially connected—failure of any one component corresponds to failure for the system. Thus a radio no longer is serviceable, and hence has failed, if any one of the tubes has failed.

While the failure of equipment may occur in many ways, three general failure types can be distinguished. They are illustrated by typical life curves in Fig. 1.

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Types of Failure

(*a*) ***Wear-Out Failure.*** A long service, accompanied by continuous wear, until removal is finally necessitated. One obtains this curve (Fig. 1) when the equipment is installed in good condition and physically wears out from use or age.

(*b*) ***Chance Failure.*** Here the chance of failure is independent of the length of service. Rail torn up by an accident exemplifies this type of failure. The basic characteristic of chance-failure curves is that the equipment has a fixed probability of failing at any time, independent of its age. If the failure of parts is found to occur according to this chance-failure law, there is no advantage to be gained by expending funds in preventive maintenance on them. The parts fail at the same rate, whether they have just been installed or have been in service for some time. Maintenance has no effect on the life and hence both its cost and the lost time of the equipment would be wasted.

(*c*) ***Initial Failure.*** Caused by some flaw present when the equipment was first placed in service. For example, a wheel which has not been turned properly, or a rivet which was installed improperly, would be expected to fail relatively soon. The initial-failure curve frequently includes the properties of a chance-failure curve but exhibits a higher failure rate.

It is apparent that maintenance of equipment to forestall failure will prove advantageous only for equipment which is wearing out and will be of no value for equipment falling in class (*b*) or class (*c*). For this reason the following will be concerned solely with equipment exhibiting the characteristics of wear-out failure.

Value of Inspection

We have defined the life of an article as the ultimate service which can be extracted from it. In most cases railroad equipment will be withdrawn from service some time before its life is ended—that is, before it fails on the job. For this reason the life curve of a piece of equipment is often difficult to obtain, and one is forced

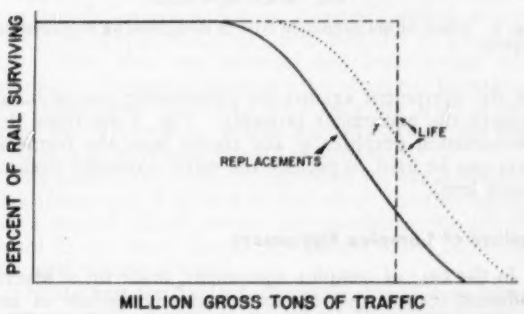

Fig. 2 Curves indicating life of equipment and replacement curve for similar pieces of equipment

to consider instead the replacement curve for the equipment. This curve may or may not have a form similar to the life curve. As shown in Fig. 2, the replacement curve indicates the length of time which similar pieces of equipment have lasted before being replaced.

The decision to replace equipment may be made in many ways. As examples, it may be made at random, it may be after a fixed period of service, or it may be based on a measure of the relative wear which the equipment has suffered—that is, on how near the equipment has approached its ultimate life. The latter procedure provides the longest potential life consistent with a minimum danger of failure in service. To avoid such an in-service failure, with its attendant costs and dangers, and to obtain safely the longest possible service from a piece of equipment, it is necessary that equipment be inspected periodically to ascertain its individual rate of wear. Inspections are needed more and more frequently as the equipment gets older and approaches its expected life duration. Inspection involves cost, of course, and the problem becomes one of balancing the advantages of longer service against the increasing cost of inspection and the possibility of in-service failure.

The Value of Maintenance

Maintenance may be applied to a system either before or after failure; that is, the maintenance may be either of a preventive or a corrective nature. In most cases, however, the cost of allowing an in-service failure to occur is so high that one would resort to a system of corrective maintenance only in an emergency.

The purpose of applying preventive maintenance to a system is to extend the life of the system. As the system becomes older it will require an increasing amount of maintenance to keep it in operating condition. The problem arises of balancing the advantages of longer life

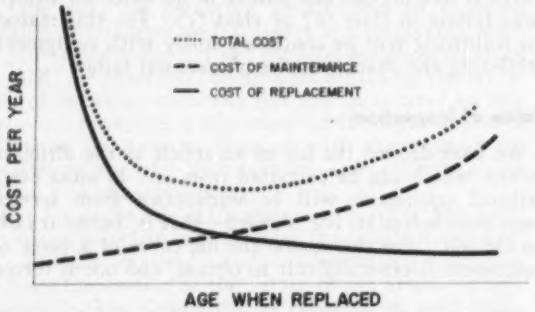

Fig. 3 Effect of maintenance cost in determining replacement period

for the equipment against the pyramiding cost of maintaining the equipment properly. Fig. 3 describes this phenomenon graphically and shows how the resulting data can be used to predict the most economic maintenance level.

Failure of Complex Equipment

In the case of complex equipment, made up of several different components connected serially, failure of any one component brings about failure of the system. Thus the "reliability," defined as the probability that the system will survive for a time t, decreases rapidly as the complexity of the system increases. This can be illustrated in the following manner in the simple case where all components individually have the same failure characteristics and are new at the start:

Suppose that the system consists of n identical components connected serially, each with the same average life and each having the same probability of deviating a given amount from that average. Then if $p(t)$ is the probability that a given component survives for a time t, the probability $P(t)$ that the entire system will survive for the time t is given by

$$P(t) = [p(t)]^n$$

This function is plotted for various values of n in Fig. 4.

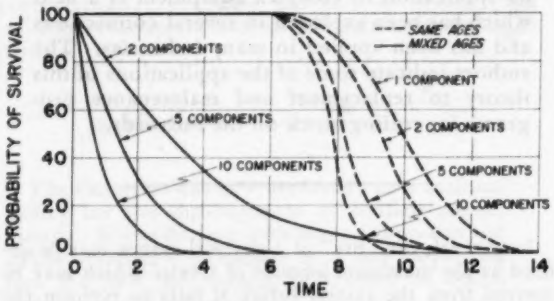

Fig. 4 Survival probability for complex equipment

From this figure it is seen, for example, that if the probability is 50 per cent one wheel on a freight-car truck will last for 10 years, then the probability that all four wheels on the truck will last for 10 years is only about 6 per cent. As the system becomes more complex, the reliability decreases rapidly. It also will be noted that at the same time the uncertainty or amount of variation in the possible lifetime decreases. For example, if a very large number of parts, each having the characteristics shown by the dotted lines in Fig. 4, were connected serially, this system would be virtually certain to fail after 6 years.

In some situations it may be decided to replace each part as it fails. Under these conditions the equipment eventually reaches a steady state and new components are thereafter added at an essentially uniform average rate. The probability of a failure of the system becomes constant with time, and the life curve for the system approaches an exponential form, as shown by the solid curves in Fig. 4. The mean life of the system remains sharply dependent upon the number of components of which it is composed. In all cases it is much shorter than for the situation where all the components started new.

In other situations, it may be more economical to replace components as they fail up to a certain time and then replace the entire system.

Components With Varying Life

So far, our discussion has been confined to the relatively simple situation where all of the components of a system have the same life curve. In practice this usually will not be the case. For example, the life of the entire

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Briefing the Record

Abstracts and Comments Based on Current Periodicals and Events

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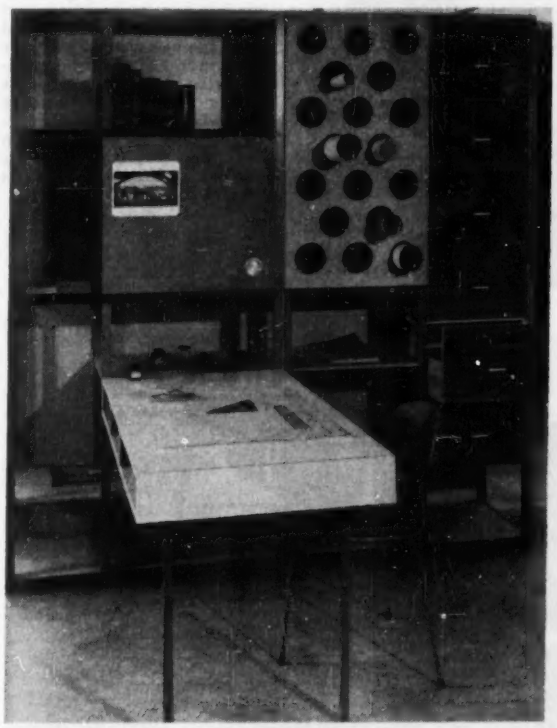

Fig. 1 This unit is a wall or free-standing fitment for a drawing office, or any office concerned with storage of plans. It consists essentially of a timber frame containing Bartrev backing, shelves, sliding doors, and filing drawers, which are entirely of Bartrev.

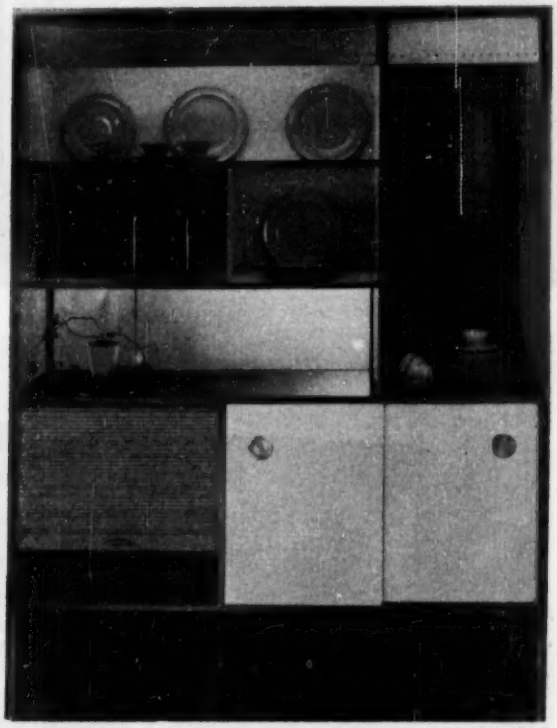

Fig. 2 In this example a framework was composed of angle iron. All shelves and panels were thus placed in necessary positions without the need of jointing one to the other. Here Bartrev will be found to be a suitable material for the intricate construction of a tambour shutter.

Waste-Wood Furniture Exhibit

A FURNITURE and building exhibition devoted exclusively to the application of Bartrev board took place recently at the Delmonico Hotel, New York, N. Y. Bartrev board is the product of the Bartrev continuous press, a machine that produces high-quality timber board by a continuous method. Although the board is not yet in production in America, presses are now under construction for use here (MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, August, 1953, page 654).

Bartrev Ltd., a British firm, is represented in North America by Aries Fiberboard Corporation, New York, N. Y.

The continuous, fully automatic operation of the Bartrev continuous press, it is claimed, will revolutionize existing concepts of the manufacture and utilization of chipboard. The Bartrev operation, reports indicate, will lower production costs and open up far wider fields for the use of this type of board.

The raw material for the press may be either waste or raw wood (or other fibrous material) which is converted by special machinery into particles of a suitable size. Once this raw material has been mixed with resins, the Bartrev continuous press converts the mixture into high-grade chipboard with only one fixed dimension, the 4-ft width, which expands design horizons further than have been visualized to date.

The board is normally produced in the usual commercial dimensions, 4 ft × 8 ft, but where the requirement for a special length exists, the purchaser can get the board in the exact length he desires. This eliminates the costly factor of waste.

Throughout the exhibit, emphasis was laid on how a contemporary material is suited to contemporary design and how in Bartrev Board lies the solution to less-

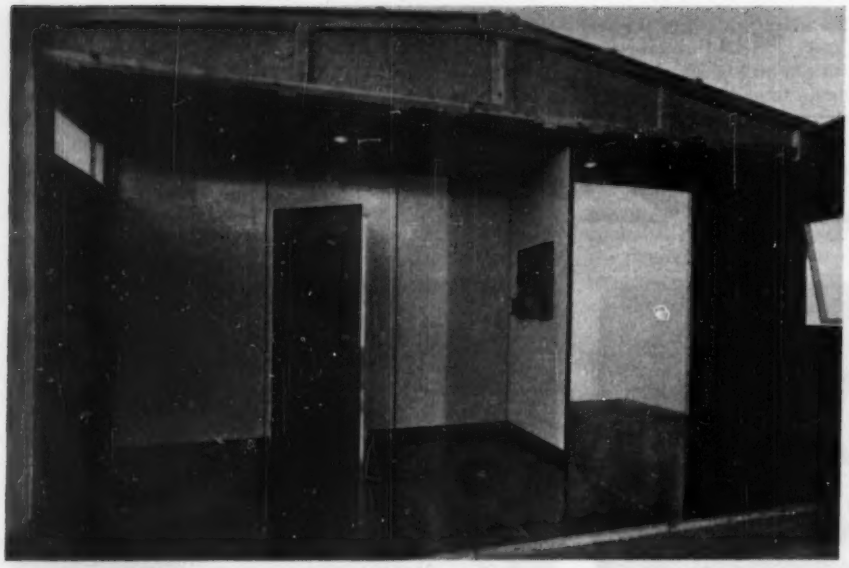

Fig. 3 This building is designed to have as little site work as possible. All external wall and partition panels are pressed Bartrev skins both sides of timber framing. The framing of the external wall panels supports the roof trusses while the partition panels can be moved to any position on any grid line (3 ft 6 in.) in the building, and are nonstructural. External panels can be supplied blank or with windows in various positions, also with heating panels built in. Internal partitions are either blank or with pass door. The system of construction allows any single panel to be removed and replaced without affecting the roof assembly.

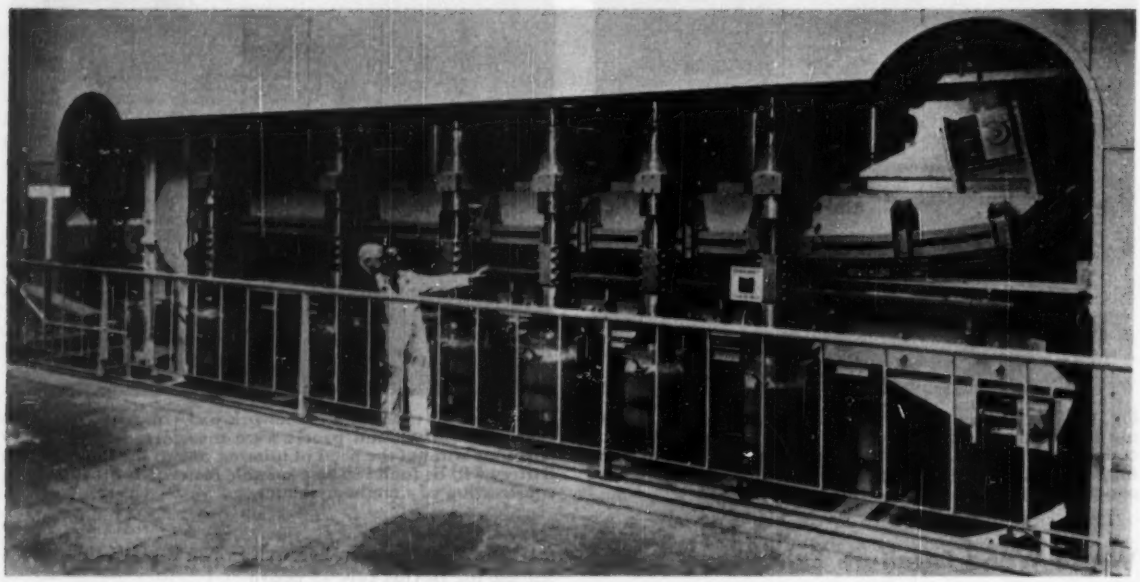

Fig. 4 Automatic Bartrev press for continuously converting wood waste and other fibrous materials into wood panels

expensive but better-designed products and buildings. The board can be used for roofing, ceilings, floors, and partitions. Again, the great advantage of buying Bartrev Board is in buying material in one piece, no matter what length is specified.

To the furniture industry, Bartrev offers a low-priced alternative to plywood as a core material of high quality, with many advantages in physical properties.

All veneers in the exhibition were applied to Bartrev Board as a core material without cross banding. This is of the greatest cost significance to the furniture industry.

The section of the exhibit devoted to shop and store fittings showed Bartrev to be a low-cost alternative to ordinary $^3/_4$-in. coreboard and showed its unique adaptability for prestige store design.

Another part of the exhibit demonstrated the attractive appearance and versatility of Bartrev board, making it particularly suitable for office furniture of all types. Desks, filing cabinets, and shelving confirm how this board material can be used to form rigid stable structures without the need of any timber framing.

Bartrev board, it was pointed out, should be considered equally as a material for furniture and as a building component. In modern building planning where the floor and ceilings do not rely on cross walls for support,

storage walls are planned between rooms and these are usually free standing for flexibility.

In a wall storage unit, Bartrev is used on studding, making a partition wall as a backing to the storage unit with a high degree of thermal and acoustic insulation. The storage unit is built on to this partition slab and veneered or paper-faced as necessary. A projecting shelf serves the dual purpose of a one-sided table or dressing table used in conjunction with a full-length-mirrored door of the wardrobe.

Three sections of a prefabricated building were shown using Bartrev for walls, ceilings, floors, and partitions. A building consisting of 26 similar sections has been erected in England at the plant where the board is produced. The roofing of the building gives a good example of the advantage of Bartrev board in unlimited length. These boards come from the press in 10-ft 6-in. lengths covering three sections of the building, thereby avoiding any cutting work.

The whole building is so designed as to reduce erection costs to a minimum. All wall panels, ceilings, and floor panels and trusses are delivered complete with veneering and treated with a weatherproof finish.

Plastic Pipe

INDUSTRY-WIDE interest on the possibilities of future use of plastic pipe by municipalities has been focused recently on the purchase by the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power of polyester resin, fiberglas reinforced plastic pipe manufactured by Reflin Company, Gardena, Calif.

The plastic pipe was selected by city engineers to replace standard steel-lined pipe when intensive surveys disclosed that Reflin's smooth seamless interior surface discourages attachment of mineral and biological deposits usually found in pipe lines. Unlike steel pipe, plastic will resist corrosion indefinitely, it is claimed. First use of the plastic pipe will be for condensate make-up lines in the new Valley Steam Generating Plant, now under construction on a 150-acre site in the San Fernando valley.

When completed in 1955, the $71 million Valley Steam

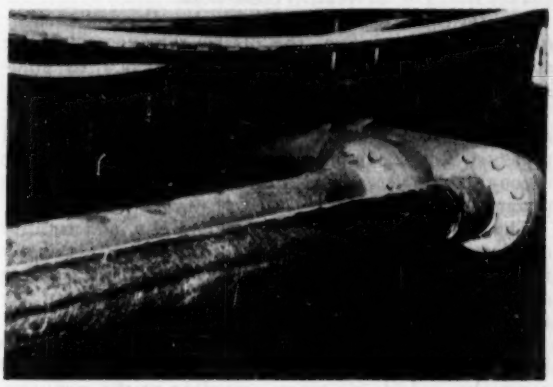

Fig. 6 Chemical-treatment drain line used in the Valley Steam Generating Plant. The pipe was made of 8-in. polyester resin, fiberglas reinforced plastic pipe. The pipe's smooth, seamless interior discourages attachment of mineral and biological deposits.

Fig. 5 These Los Angeles Department of Water and Power 10-in. condensate make-up lines are part of the Department's new Valley Steam Generating Plant. The lines are made of polyester resin, fiberglas reinforced plastic pipe.

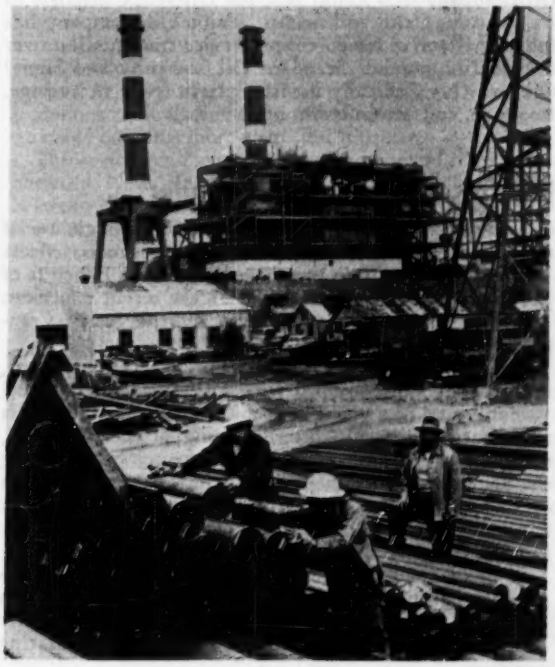

Fig. 7 Plastic pipe is stored in this yard prior to use. The Valley Steam Generating Plant will be one of the largest in the west when completed in 1955 and will increase the city's power generation by 50 per cent.

Plant will be one of the largest in the west, increasing the city's present power generation by 50 per cent. Its eventual capacity of more than 512,000 kw is approximately equal to the total energy now available in Los Angeles from Hoover Dam.

The steam plant is tentatively composed of four units, each operating as an independent power plant and consisting of a steam generator, electrical generator, turbine, and a set of auxiliaries. Boilers with a steam-generator capacity of 850,000 lb per hr supply steam to each turbine. The plant is designed to withstand earthquakes and extreme weather conditions.

Lighter than steel pipe, easier to handle, and cheaper to install and maintain, the plastic pipe is said to be almost chemically inert with no tendency to cold-flow.

It is resistant to rust, chemical attack, electrolytic action, and other factors causing deterioration of steel pipe, say Reflin engineers. The company put the pipe through three years of research and development before placing it on the market.

The high impact strength, lightweight, and rigidity of plastic pipe allows unusual and ordinarily difficult installations to be made quickly and easily. Using standard fittings and simple tools, two men can lay Reflin pipe under average conditions.

With high allowable pressure and great resistance to head and impact loads the pipe is greatly improved over currently used plastic pipes, according to the company. Reflin pipe is adaptable to all standard auxiliary equipment, including valves, pumps, and tanks.

While envisioning a great future for plastic pipe in municipal use, the company sees many uses for their new pipe in other fields as well. The Tidewater Associated Oil Company uses Reflin pipe for salt-water disposal in its Ventura, Calif., oil fields. Union Oil Company has found it effective for corrosion service transmission over evaporation ponds. Standard Oil Company and Signal Oil and Gas Company use the plastic pipe in casings, line pipe, and transmission of chemicals.

Reinforced-Plastic Truck Trailer

A REFRIGERATED truck trailer, which through use of reinforced-plastic structural beams and panels, effects a 20 per cent saving in weight and a gain of 150 cu ft of pay-load space, was introduced at the recent American Trucking Association convention by the Strick Company of Philadelphia, Pa.

The new trailer, which will hold refrigeration at zero, is 35 ft long and equipped with a sliding tandem-wheel assembly and yet weighs only 11,800 lb—including its refrigeration unit. Its interior lining, structural beams, rear doors, rear-door frame, and a reflector pan covering the underside are all made from Lamicor—molded units of Vibrin, a polyester resin produced by the Naugatuck Chemical Division, United States Rubber Company, reinforced with glass fibers.

Lamicor, made and developed by Strick Plastics Company, an affiliate, is said to be stronger than steel on a pound-for-pound basis, corrosion-resistant, easily cleaned, sanitary, and has high thermal insulating qualities.

The trailer is also intended to be used as a general cargo hauler.

Major feature of the new trailer is the use of reinforced plastics for structural beams, instead of the conventional aluminum or steel. The plastic has an insulating factor, allowing the beams to be used as part of the insulation. This steps up the efficiency of the trailer's insulation because all metal-to-metal contact is eliminated. It also eliminates the need for unsanitary wooden stringers and makes the high cubic-capacity design possible.

Fig. 8 A reinforced plastic beam used in the underbody of new refrigerated truck trailer is examined by C. Bradford Sheppard, president of the Strick Company, Philadelphia, Pa.

The understructure of the trailer is made from 6-in., plastic beams, set on 12-in. centers. A plastic reflector pan, running the full length of the trailer, is attached to the bottom edge of the beam. This pan allows 6 in. of insulating material to be placed between the floor beams.

This new understructure design, a departure from conventional refrigerated trailers in which the insulation is placed above the floor beams, adds 125 cu ft to the trailer's capacity. An aluminum floor, corrugated for air circulation, is attached to the upper edge of the beams.

Plastic beams, 4 in. deep with insulating material placed between them, are used in the sides and roof. This adds another 25 cu ft to the trailer's cargo space. This amount of insulation, plus the floor insulation, also permits the trailer to hold 0 F refrigeration, which is sufficient for any cargo requiring refrigeration.

Molded panels of reinforced plastic are also used for the interior liner. They are said to be ten times stronger than the plywood liner generally used, and can be cleaned almost as easily as glass. In addition, they will not warp, pick up odors, or corrode. They are corrugated to permit air circulation and impregnated with white coloring for cleanliness.

The rear doors and door frame of the trailer are also molded from reinforced plastic. This use of plastic, which will not shrink or warp, insures a tight seal that will not be affected by adverse weather conditions.

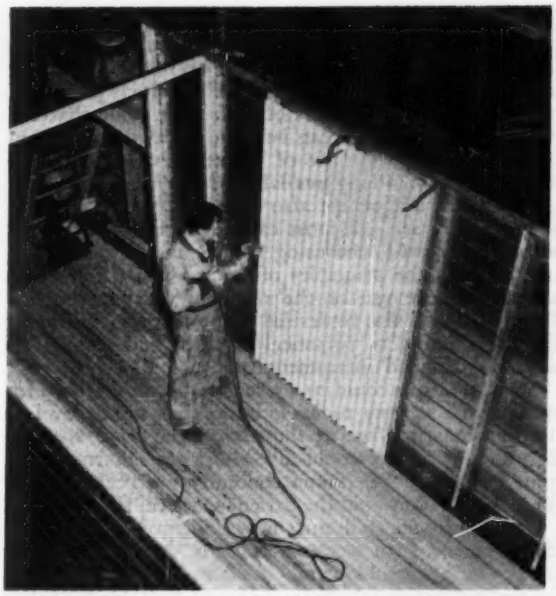

Fig. 9 Ribbed panels of reinforced plastic are shown being attached to 35-ft refrigerated truck trailer during construction. The beams to which the panels are attached are also plastic.

All of the plastic parts in the new trailer are riveted together, just as conventional metal trailers are assembled. This makes it easier to repair the trailer if necessary.

Air-Pollution Bibliography

AVAILABLE scientific literature on outdoor air pollution is summarized in an exhaustive bibliography compiled from foreign and domestic sources by the Bureau of Mines and released recently by the Department of the Interior.

The publication was prepared at the request of the chairman of the United States Technical Conference on Air Pollution, held at Washington, D. C., in May, 1950. It contains more than 3900 references dating from 1819 to 1952.

Polluted air, the bulletin says, has been troubling mankind for centuries. It may cause damage to his health, to his forests and crops, and even to his buildings. With the great industrial development it has become in many instances an all-important problem and, according to the American Municipal Association, only four United States cities with populations over 25,000 have not established some sort of control. Up to $120 million a year reportedly is spent to combat air pollution throughout the nation.

The bibliography lists references under such subjects as: General aspects of air pollution; nature and origin; composition of pollutants; effects on health, materials and structures, and vegetation; methods of determination and control; legal aspects of the problem; and costs in damage by air pollution. Abstracts under each subject are in chronological order, arranged alphabetically by authors. An index of authors is included.

Bureau of Mines Bulletin 537, "Air Pollution, A Bibliography," by S. J. Davenport and G. G. Morgis, can be obtained only from the Superintendent of Documents, United States Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C., for $1.75 a copy. This bulletin is not for sale by the Bureau of Mines.

Submarine Telephone Cable

THE first submarine telephone cable between the United States and Europe is expected to be in commercial operation by late 1956, four top-ranking British and American communications experts announced in a paper presented before the 1954 fall meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, in Chicago, Ill.

The new $35 million transatlantic telephone system will be by far the longest underseas voice cable in the world and the first laid at depths found in mid-ocean. It will supplement radio circuits now in use and will have three times the present circuit capacity.

The paper was authored by Dr. Mervin J. Kelly, president of Bell Telephone Laboratories, who presented the paper; Sir Gordon Radley, deputy director general of the British Post Office; George W. Gilman, Bell Laboratories director of systems engineering; and R. J. Halsey, assistant engineer in chief of the British Post Office. The cable will be owned jointly by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, the Eastern Telephone and Telegraph Company, the British Post Office, and the Canadian Overseas Telecommunications Corporation.

2000 Nautical Miles Long

The transatlantic portion of the system to provide 36 high-grade telephone circuits between the United Kingdom, Canada, and the United States, will be 2000 nautical miles in length. It will be laid in depths up to three miles on the ocean floor between Scotland and Newfoundland and each of the two cables will contain 52 submerged repeaters. The longest submarine telephone cable now in use is less than 200 miles long and no cable contains more than four repeaters.

The system will contain a group of telephone circuits between New York and London and another group between Montreal and London. At the gateway cities, the circuits will connect with the telephone systems of the respective countries.

Telephone conversations from the U. S. will be carried overland by a microwave radio-relay from Portland, Maine, to Nova Scotia where the radio-relay route will connect with a 300-mile submarine cable to Newfoundland. The transatlantic portion of the cable will stretch from Clarenville, Newfoundland, to Oban, Scotland. The transatlantic circuits will be taken from Oban to London by carrier cable with alternative routes via Glasgow or Inverness and Aberdeen. In London, it will be possible to connect any transatlantic circuit to any one of the existing submarine cable circuits to the continent of Europe.

Coaxial-Type Cable

The new transoceanic cable will be of the coaxial type consisting essentially of a copper tube, through the center of which runs a single copper conductor, properly insulated from the surrounding outer conductor. High-molecular-weight polyethylene is used for insulation.

The cables will be not quite two thirds of an inch

in diameter at the outer conductor. They will be protected against the teredo worm, a marine borer, by wrappings of copper tape. Outside this will be wrappings of heavy jute, steel-armor wires for mechanical strength, and an outer wrapping of jute to prevent corrosion of the armor wires. The deep-sea sections will be about $1^1/_4$ in. in over-all diameter.

Repeaters, with their electron tubes and many other associated parts, appear simply as bulges in the cables. This will permit them to be fed smoothly around the drums and sheaves of the cable ship "*Monarch*" so that the cable and repeaters can be laid on the ocean floor as a continuous operation.

Each repeater, spaced about 40 miles apart, will consist essentially of a three-stage feedback amplifier, so that there will be more than 300 long-life electron tubes on the ocean floor with some 6000 other electrical components, all designed for reliable, trouble-free operation for 20 years or more.

Electron tubes and other components, constructed or selected for reliability in service, have been under life test since 1940.

Electrical power to operate the amplifiers will be fed to them over the central conductor of each cable from the terminal stations on shore. This will require more than 2000 volts at each end. The design of the terminal power plant will place special emphasis on current regulation, continuity of service, and protection against power surges.

Dr. Kelly commented on the difficulties yet to be encountered in actually laying the cable. A period of 12 days with continuously good weather conditions is necessary to carry out the main operation. In the North Atlantic such conditions are unlikely except during the period mid-May to mid-September. One cable will be laid during the summer of 1955 and all cable-laying operations are scheduled to be completed in 1956.

Packaged Power Reactor

THE present efforts of the Nuclear Engineering Section of the American Machine & Foundry Company are being directed toward development of the packaged reactor for easier use and more economical power, according to Chris J. Brous of AMF. He spoke before the National Industrial Conference Board's Third Annual Conference on "Atomic Energy in Industry," recently. The packaged reactor offers less complex and easier to use nuclear-reactor components and systems. AMF, he said, is initiating the development of designs of major assemblies and components which can be integrated into different nuclear-reactor systems. The availability of reactor systems designed and built with these principles, using packaged or building blocks, will lead to easier acceptance of the nuclear reactor for power and research. The operation and maintenance of a reactor facility should be simplified because the user will have acquaintance with similar packaged units.

In order to satisfy the many needs and applications of this type of power plant, packaged units will have to be developed which are available in several capacities and arrangements, Mr. Brous said. In addition, to obtain higher capacities, duplex units probably will be used. These are similar to the modern use of single and multiple diesel-generator units in small power installations.

A typical use for a packaged power reactor is at a possible remote mine installation. Imagine a site located in a rugged, mountainous region, with just a few rough roads and no railroads. The site is known to be rich in mineral deposits of such high value that the ore or refined product can be economically flown from the site. Only the lack of power prevents these resources from becoming available to world markets.

The packaged concept also finds ready application to research reactors. In most cases, where a research reactor is proposed, the using facility is not specifically interested in the principles of reactor design but is interested in the use of the neutrons for experiments. Possibly it will also be desired to use this type of reactor for the training of personnel in the principles of reactor control and instrumentation.

Typical of this could be a research reactor designed for medical use. Tests today indicate that a flux level of 10^9 neutrons/cm^2/sec at the patient exposure aperture is desirable. This would give short patient irradiation time during the maximum concentration period of the irradiation material in the patient's critical tissue area.

From the packaged units now undergoing design and development, such a reactor could be assembled having a simplified control system. As more data are developed by medical personnel, it may be found desirable to change the flux conditions or the control conditions for better patient exposure. With packaged units, easy removal, rearrangement, and possible substitution of control, fuel, and reflector components to provide for the new conditions could be made.

The need for a small nuclear power plant exists in the U. S. as well as in many parts of the world. According to Mr. Brous, the small power unit can bring power into those parts of the world heretofore thought to be extremely difficult, if not impossible, to develop.

Mobile Electric Power Plant

A NEW type of mobile diesel-electric power-generating plant designed to help utilities to meet difficult problems in public service growing out of the increasing migration of population and industry from populous centers to far outlying territory, has been developed by Electro-Motive Division of General Motors at La Grange, Ill. For example, the units are said to be capable of meeting unusual demands for current which are either so seasonal, so temporary, or so low in load factor that it is not economic to extend either an original power line or a second line for protection.

Five models of the "Electro-Mobile Power Units" were disclosed. Three are designed to be moved over railroads and two for movement over highways. The railroad units are of 500, 750, and 1000-kw capacity.

The highway units are of 350 and 500-kw capacity. The units may be as rapidly coupled together as the units of a standard diesel locomotive so any desired capacity may be obtained from a single 350-kw highway unit or 500-kw rail unit to whole highway fleets or long trains of railroad units totaling, for instance, 100,000 kw or whatever is necessary to put an average American city back into operation after a disaster of war or nature.

Pilot models of the 500-kw highway unit and of the 1000-kw railroad unit will be loaned to utilities for tryouts on local problems on a coast-to-coast tour.

Also introduced were four models of a new portable generating plant utilizing the same General Motors 567C diesel engine and other major components used in the mobile plants. The portable plants, on skids and capable of being put on railroad cars or truck trailers for transport, are designed for more permanent installations than the mobile plants. They are 350, 500, 750, and 1000-kw capacity.

Major components of the new machines (such as diesel engines) are either already in production for use in General Motors locomotives, or are so closely related to other standard major components of diesel locomotives (such as generators and car structures) that existing production machinery, methods, and labor at La Grange can be immediately switched to the new product, it was explained.

A new line of "A" series generators has been designed to withstand a 25 per cent overload and to operate at 4160 or 2400 volts. Utilizing silicone, glass, and mica, these generators have improved insulation better fitted than any other known insulation to withstand the intermittent operation in varying weather conditions frequently found in fringe-area, low-load factor situations.

An outstanding feature of the electro-mobile units is availability of automatic-control apparatus which makes these units completely self-operating at far outlying points. They can be controlled by a central operator, hundreds of miles away, by impulses over a wire, or by radio, or they can be started or stopped by fluctuations in voltage on the line which they are serving.

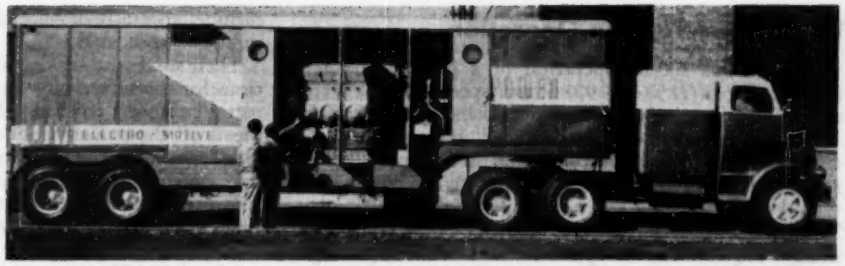

Fig. 10 New 500-kw capacity "Electro-Mobile" diesel-electric generating unit, designed and built by the Electro-Motive Division of General Motors Corporation, La Grange, Ill., to help utility companies protect and improve service to homes and industries in far outlying areas and to meet emergency conditions. Doors are open to show prime mover—800-hp General Motors 567C series diesel engine. Four other portable generating plant models, of 350, 500, 750, and 1000 kw, were also introduced.

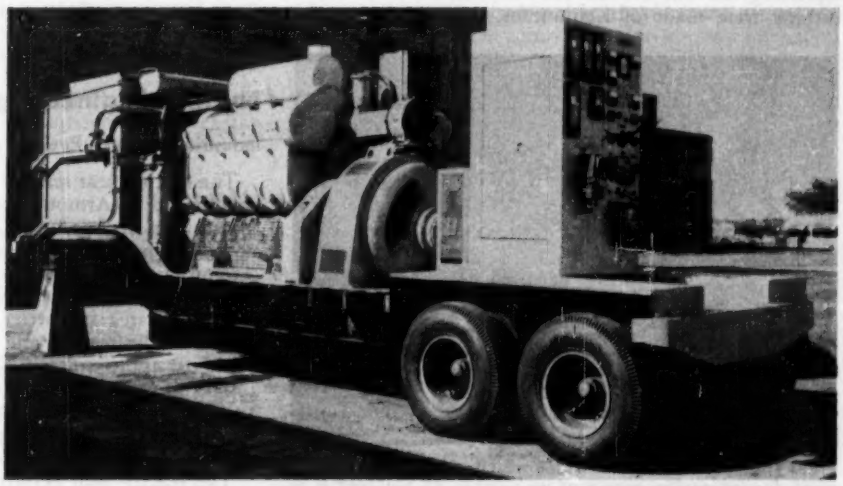

Fig. 11 View of Electro-Mobile 500-kw diesel-powered electric generating unit for transport on highways without car body, showing arrangement of principal components. Shown from *right* to *left* are switchgear cabinet, new high-efficiency alternating-current generator, 800-hp diesel engine, and cooling system.

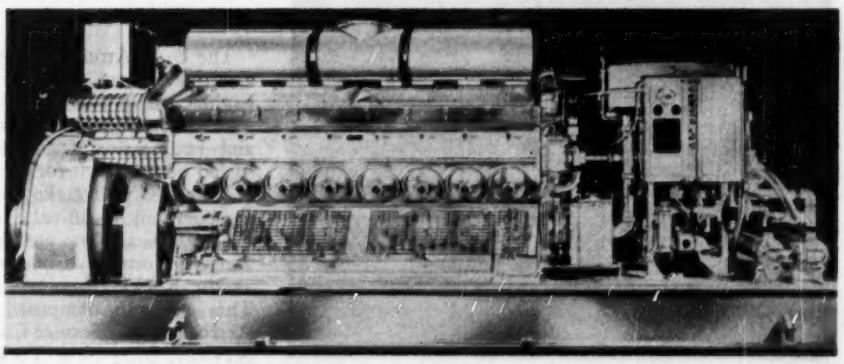

Fig. 12 New 1000-kw diesel-powered portable electric-generating plant, designed to assist utility companies in protecting and improving electric service to homes and industries in far outlying or fringe areas and for use as emergency stand-by equipment. This unit, mounted on a rigid steel platform, can easily be transported on skids by railroad cars or truck trailers for use at semipermanent or long-term locations. Similar units can also be supplied in 350, 500, and 750-kw capacity.

100-Hr Gas-Turbine Operation

CONTINUOUS 100-hr operation of a gas turbine at a temperature of 1850 to 1900 F and speed of 30,000 rpm was revealed recently by Kennametal Inc., Latrobe, Pa.

Using its own specially designed and operated test turbine, Kennametal subjected the turbine parts to the same conditions of temperature and stress which they would encounter in a jet engine operating at full power. This unit also permitted the testing of new component designs required for the optimum use of their super high-temperature carbide, Kentanium.

Engineers found little change in the critical parts of the turbine, particularly in the impeller, which is its one moving part. Ordinarily, gas turbines can withstand operating temperatures in the range of only 1400 to 1600 F, which greatly limits their power and efficiency.

Key to the successful test, according to company metallurgists, was the fact that the critical parts of the turbine were made of Kentanium, a sintered titanium carbide, specially developed to withstand high temperatures and speeds.

Their successful results were seen having great implications for the future of gas-turbine power plants. Kennametal engineers envision the day when further development of these Kentanium materials made by modern powder-metallurgy techniques will enable gas turbines to operate at temperatures well in excess of 2000 F.

It was also revealed that the fuel efficiency of gas turbines could thus be improved 50 to 100 per cent or more.

Explaining further the significance of the already attained 30,000 rpm at high temperatures in their test gas turbine, Kennametal engineers said that an automotive unit, such as a truck power plant, would operate only a small portion of the time at full power output so that this 100-hr performance of the Kennametal turbine would correspond to thousands of hours of truck operation.

The Kennamental tests were based on the fact that the power and efficiency of gas turbines is greatly affected by the temperatures at which they operate.

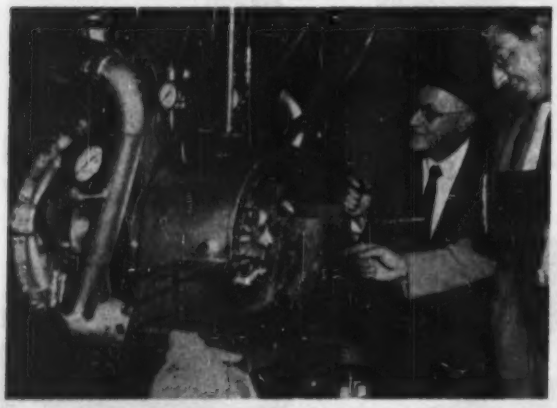

Fig. 13 Experimental gas turbine which could lay the groundwork for increasing power of jet engines 50 per cent is inspected by Philip M. McKenna, Mem. ASME, president of Kennametal Inc., *left,* and John C. Redmond, vice-president and director of research and development, at the company's Kingston Station, Pa., plant.

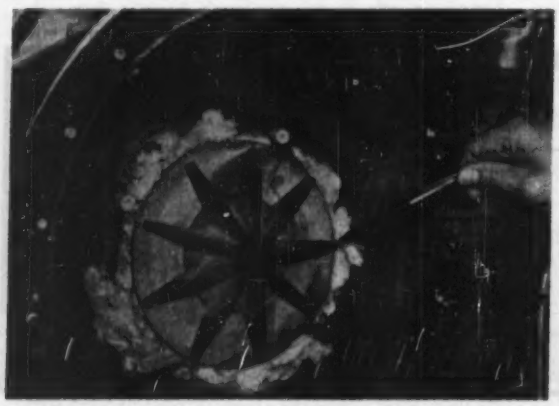

Fig. 14 Close-up of impeller in experimental gas turbine developed to test super high-temperature alloy, Kentanium. Using Kentanium in critical parts of the gas turbine, the turbine was operated continuously for 100 hr at a temperature of 1850 to 1900 F and speed of 30,000 rpm. No change in the parts was apparent.

Nuclear-Engineering Briefs . . .

Industrial Research Reactor

THE first nuclear reactor for industrial research will be established at Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, Ill. Plans for the reactor—or atomic pile—are being submitted to the Atomic Energy Commission for consideration of the design, building plans, and schedule of operation.

Chicago-area industries will join the Foundation in financing the reactor and associated equipment, which will cost approximately $500,000.

The proposed reactor, designed for 50,000 watts, is specifically a highly flexible neutron and gamma source, and is not intended for research on reactors themselves or for the generation of electrical power.

The reactor will permit investigation into such fields as: Sterilization of foods and drugs; high-polymer studies of the structure of plastics, rubber, and similar materials; glass and ceramics; wear and friction studies; the development of metals and alloys, and medical techniques for diagnoses and therapy.

Power-Reactor Studies

The U. S. Atomic Energy Commission has authorized a nuclear-power study by the Pennsylvania Power and Light Company of Allentown, Pa. The Company will make a detailed study at its own expense of the economic and engineering feasibility of a large-scale, nuclear-fueled power plant for use in its own system.

The AEC will make available to cleared personnel of the company technical data on reactor development.

The AEC also has authorized a nuclear-power study by a newly formed association of nine companies known as the Rocky Mountain Nuclear Power Study Group. This group is composed of the following companies: Arizona Public Service Company, Phoenix, Ariz.; Ebasco Services, Inc., New York, N. Y.; Fluor Corporation, Ltd., Los Angeles, Calif.; Idaho Power Company, Boise, Idaho; Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company, St. Paul, Minn.; Phillips Petroleum Company, Bartlesville, Okla.; Public Service Company of Colorado, Denver, Colo.; Riley Stoker Company, Worcester,

Mass.; and Utah Power and Light Company, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The group will study at its own expense the economic and engineering possibility of a nuclear power reactor for the western United States. It will first study the feasibility of a reactor, cooled and moderated by light water, fueled with slightly enriched uranium, and designed for the purpose of producing both power and fissionable material. The group will then investigate the economic feasibility of other reactor types.

Nuclear Ship Propulsion

Two projects for the development of nuclear propulsion for large naval vessels were announced by AEC recently. Research and development work on a reactor suitable for large ship propulsion has been assigned to Westinghouse Electric Corporation and $1,250,000 authorized for this work for the current fiscal year.

Separate design studies of large nuclear-powered ships recently have been undertaken by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company at Newport News, Va., and the Bethlehem Steel Company, at Quincy, Mass., both under contract with the Bureau of Ships, Department of Navy. The pressurized-water reactor type has been selected for this project.

Boiling-Water Reactor

Argonne National Laboratory, operated for the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission by the University, of Chicago, has announced that Sargent and Lundy Ghicago, Ill., has been selected as the architect-engineer for the design of the experimental boiling-water reactor which has been authorized as part of the Commission's five-year program for development of competitive electrical power from nuclear fuel. Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Company, Milwaukee, Wis., has been chosen to design, develop, construct, and install the power generation, heat transfer, and special equipment for the power cycle.

The experimental boiling-water reactor (EBWR) which will be built on the Argonne site in DuPage County, Ill., will produce 20,000 kw of heat and 5000 kw of electricity. The reactor will use slightly enriched uranium fuel and will be moderated and cooled by ordinary water. Construction is to start in 1955.

Nuclear Research Facilities

Plans for building the Karl Taylor Compton Laboratories for Nuclear Science and Electronics as the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's memorial to the Institute's late chairman, Dr. Karl Taylor Compton, were announced recently.

Preliminary drawings for a $3 million building are already completed. In addition, a fund of $3 million will be provided for unrestricted support of the Institute's work in these fields.

M.I.T's nuclear reactor, to be devoted solely to education and nonsecret research in the peacetime applications of nuclear power, will also be associated with the Karl Taylor Compton Laboratories.

Plans for a $1,535,000 expansion of its nuclear-energy research facilities also have been announced by Battelle Institute, Columbus, Ohio. The new facilities will be used for enlargement of the Institute's contract research for industry and government in the atomic-energy field. They are in addition to present facilities available for nuclear research, in which the Institute has $2 million invested.

All funds for the expansion program already have been appropriated by the Institute's board of trustees. Construction of a nuclear reactor, a reactor-development laboratory, and a nuclear-fuels laboratory is scheduled to begin shortly. Plans also call for the installation of a large cobalt-60 source.

Theory of Maintenance of Rolling Stock

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railroad hopper car depends upon the life of various components, some having long lives and some relatively short lives. The car may become unserviceable (i.e., fail) if the journals fail or a wheel is fractured or if the sides become so corroded that they cannot retain the cargo. Each of these components has its own life curve, each different from the other two. This situation is more complicated than the preceding cases but is still amenable to analytical techniques. A complete discussion of this problem will not be given here but a few remarks may be of interest.

For illustrative purposes, let us assume that curve A in Fig. 5 is for journals, curve B for wheels, and curve C

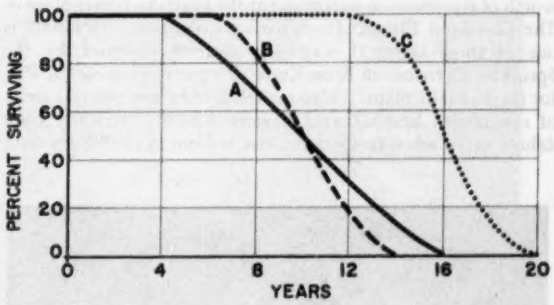
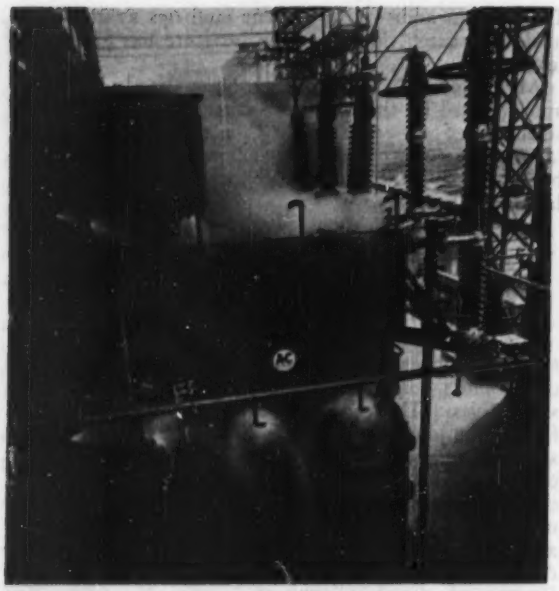


Fig. 5 Life curves for three components of a system

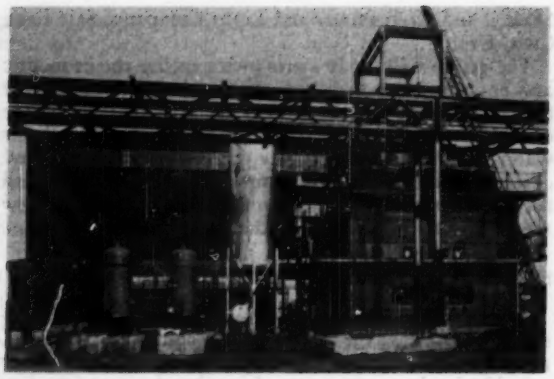
for the hopper sides, and let us assume that these are the only three components in the hopper.

The curves in Fig. 5 indicate that in this illustration there is no chance of a wear-out failure for the first four years after a new hopper is put into service. After that there is a gradually increasing chance of failure in the journals, then in the wheels, and after 12 years, in the sides. Owing to the variations in the lives of these components, one cannot predict, for example, that the journal will fail before the wheel fails; in many cases the journal could outlast the wheels. Similarly, there are some journals which could last longer than some car sides. The question arises as to the best way to program the replacement and repair of these parts.

A gain sometimes may be achieved by the replacement of two or more components with different life curves at the same time. This reduces the time lost by the car and leads to other savings, such as decreased parts inventory and labor, resulting from combining the two operations. Against this saving, of course, must be balanced any loss in the useful life of one or more of the replaced components.



Water-Fog System. More than 2200 gpm of water shower from 90 nozzles in a test operation to check the efficiency of this water-fog system. The system guards more than $500,000 worth of transmission equipment at the Eastlake power plant of The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company. This unit is one of three identical water-fog systems designed by the Sprinkler Division of Blaw-Knox Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., for the Eastlake plant. Water is released by any one of a series of rate-of-rise heat-actuated devices which electrically open deluge valve when temperature rise is from 15 to 20 F per min.



Tonnage Oxygen Plant. This large tonnage oxygen plant is being erected by Chemical Plants Division, Blaw-Knox Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., for the McLouth Steel Corporation at Trenton, Mich. The plant will be the first Linde-Fraenkl cycle-type process to produce high-purity oxygen in this country. Blaw-Knox Company is the United States supplier for the process. Crude argon is also produced in this installation. Blaw-Knox is designing and constructing a companion plant for argon purification.

Engineering Developments

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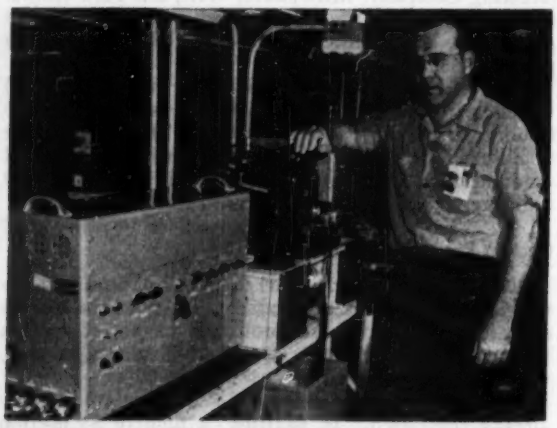
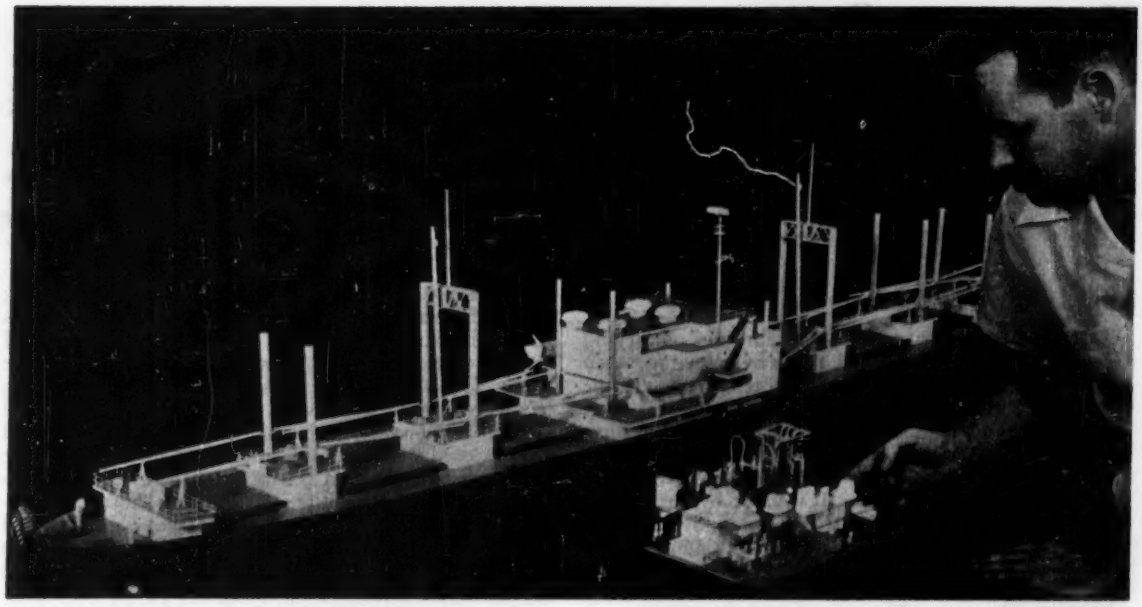
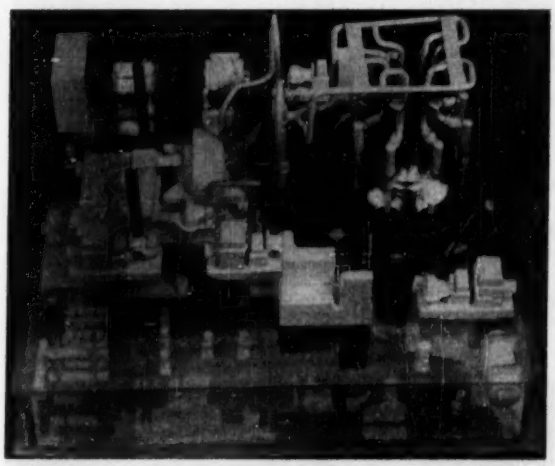
Spot-Welder's Aid. Unwieldy, multicontoured aircraft assemblies have been troublesome problems for spot-welding machine or riveting machine operators. Some assemblies required two or more men to hold them during operation. To achieve faster production at reduced labor cost, Martin Aircraft, Baltimore, Md., has developed a handling rig that suspends an assembly part at its center of gravity. In this position the part is completely free swinging and easily handled by one man. Small parts are hung from an overhead crane; large parts are mounted at their center of gravity on an arm which is built out from the base of the machine.



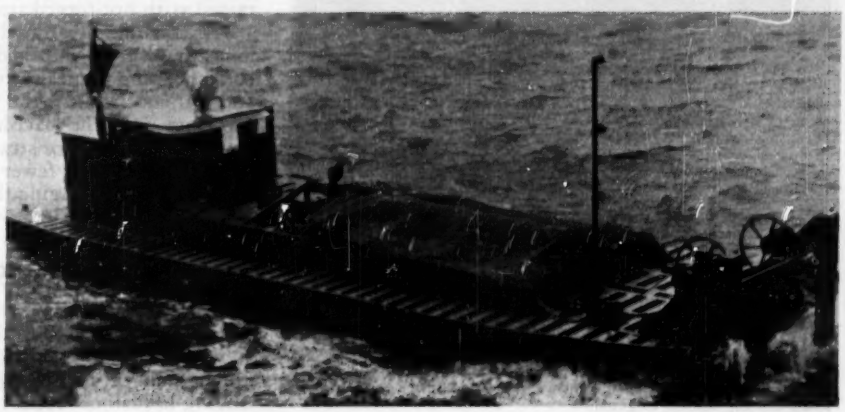
Cutting, Stamping, and Measuring Machine. An electronic, push-button machine which cuts, stamps, and measures electric wire in one operation has been developed and put into service by Douglas Aircraft Company, Santa Monica, Calif. It was designed and developed by Glen Lydolph of Douglas. His compact device—which eliminates five manual operations—cuts, counts, and stamps identification numbers on insulated electric wire in one operation. Eight of the machines already are employed in the production of DC-6/7 type transports and missiles at the Santa Monica plant. Another nine of the devices are under construction for use in other divisions.



Atomic Ship Model. A scale model, *above*, showing the application of nuclear power for propulsion of a cargo vessel, has been built by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, at the request of the United States Information Agency. The model is a replica of the latest and fastest type of cargo vessel, the 560-ft, 20-knot Mariner Class. With the use of atomic power, such a ship could stay at sea for years without refueling. Instead of a firebox and boiler, the ship's atomic-power plant would have a reactor which would generate heat and change water into steam. Machinery such as steam turbines, pumps, condensers, etc., would be the equivalent of those on a normal ship. The engine and boiler rooms on the atomic-propelled ship would require about the same space as those of a normal ship. However, some additional cargo space would be created by elimination of fuel-oil tanks within the ballasting requirements of the ship. The outstanding difference in the appearance of an atomic-powered vessel would be the absence of a smokestack. Nuclear power would create no smoke or soot. Close-up view of the model of the atomic ship-propulsion unit is at *right*. Atomic reactor is at *right rear*.



Plastic Barge. A flat-bottomed self-propelled plastic craft for use on shallow inland waterways overseas has been designed by E. R. Chance & Associates, Arlington, Va., in cooperation with the Transportation Research and Development Command of the Army Transportation Corps. The vessel, weighing only 10.2 tons, can transport five tons of dry cargo with a draft of only 21 in. when loaded, and has a maximum cargo capacity of 10 tons in deeper water. The 50-ft craft is powered by two 165-hp General Motors diesel engines.



European Survey

Engineering Progress in the British Isles and Western Europe

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Rapid Precision-Swaging Machine

THE production from bar stock of forgings of varying diameter may be accomplished either by upsetting, when the diameter is increased locally to more than that of the stock, or by swaging, which reduces the diameter locally. The de Roll precision-forging machine illustrated in Fig. 1, which was shown in operation at the Fourth European Machine Tool Exhibition at Milan, Italy, uses the latter method. It is made by the Société des Usines de Louis de Roll S. A., of Berne, Switzerland, and is produced in three sizes, having maximum forging pressures of 60 tons, 100 tons, and 500 tons, respectively; the machine that was demonstrated was of the 100-ton size. The bar to be forged is gripped by an air-operated chuck, controlled by a pedal, and is rotated rapidly while being fed downward between the three swaging hammers. The hammers are arranged in the horizontal plane in the lower part of the body of the machine and are disposed equally at 120 deg in plan. They strike simultaneously, so that the forging blows are in equilibrium, and are mounted on the ends of short stiff connecting rods, guided throughout the stroke and actuated by vertical eccentric shafts which are driven through helical gearing by a 30-hp motor. The forging tools are oil-cooled and the connecting-rod guides are water-cooled to dissipate the heat conducted from the forging. The chuck is cooled by compressed air.

Fig. 1 de Roll 100-ton pressure precision-forging machine

The bearings of the eccentric shafts are mounted in rotatable housings which are also eccentric so that, by turning them, the radial distance of the hammers from the vertical axis of the machine can be varied at will, to suit different diameters of the work. The control mechanism which effects this is hydraulic and is actuated by stops on a drum, with the addition of a template if it is desired to forge tapers or other noncylindrical forms.

The control system also regulates the rate at which the stock is fed downward to the tools; thus the combination of the two motions, i.e., the downward feed of the work and the radial feed of the tools, determines the various diameters of the finished work and the lengths of the cylindrical portions of any given diameter. On the standard type of machine for round work, seven different lengths and diameters can be preset and are then forged as one automatic operation. Adjustable throttle valves enable the forging speed and the pauses in the axial movement to be regulated to insure the clean forging of steps. It is stated that a dimensional accuracy of ±0.02 mm (0.008 in.) on the diameter can be maintained with hot-forged steel pieces of 40 to 60 mm diam.

The machine illustrated will take work with a maximum diam of 60 mm and a length of 1000 mm. The corresponding figures for the 60-ton machine are 60 mm and 600 mm, and for the 500-ton machine, 250 mm and 5000 mm. On the machine demonstrated at Milan, the complete forging of a straightforward cylindrical workpiece with seven or fewer diameters took from 1 to $1^1/_2$ min, including changing the piece.

High-Precision Automatic Lathes

SWITZERLAND was well represented at the Milan Exhibition, especially by the high-precision tools which have been developed there to a superlative degree for the production of minute components for watches. The sliding-headstock type of automatic lathe, which is

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chiefly favored for this class of work where production in quantity is required, has been in use now for more than 70 years; but it is still in process of further refinement, as was evidenced by the "Isomatic" lathe exhibited by Andre Bechler, Ltd., of Moutier.

This machine, Fig. 2, has five radial tool slides in the headstock and an undercutting attachment with two inclinable tool slides, and can be fitted with a number of additional attachments which considerably increase its versatility. For instance, it can be provided with one, two, or three drilling spindles, threading attachments of various kinds, a three-spindle combined centering, drilling, reaming, threading, and tapping attachment, and equipment for slotting, cross-drilling, and back-

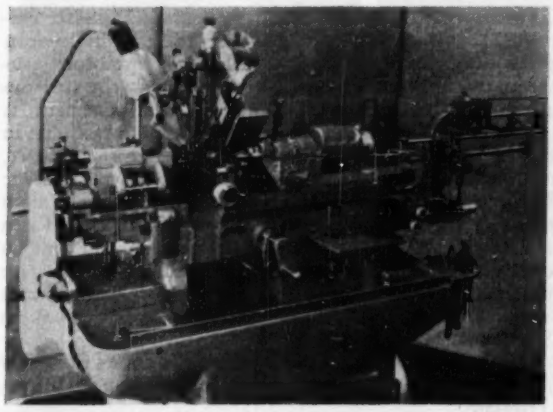


Fig. 2 Type AS-7 Isomatic high-precision automatic lathe with five radial tool slides and three spindle drilling attachments

counterboring. It is possible also to stop the rotation of the spindle in order to carry out such operations as milling, the drilling of eccentric bores, or the turning of eccentric pivots.

Various improvements in detail eliminate to a great extent the variations in accuracy which might be caused by changes in the ambient temperature or the thickness of lubricating-oil films. At every revolution of the camshaft the principal tools resume their initial positions with an accuracy of 0.1 μ (0.000004 in.), and the makers claim that, in continuous operation, it is possible to keep the dimensions of the finished products within the limits of $\pm$0.001 mm (0.00004 in.). The lathe's micrometer adjustment operates to this limit of accuracy, and in both directions, a light permanent loading being imposed on the micrometer spindle to eliminate all play.

Profile Grinding With a Pantograph

High-precision profile grinding is now usually associated with some form of control by optical comparator. The PSM 130 and PSM 250 profile grinders, exhibited by Fritz Studer A. G., Glockenthal-Thun, Switzerland, are believed to be unique in using a stylus working against a fixed template and controlling the movement of the grinding wheel by means of a pantograph.

An essential feature is that the section of the grinding wheel corresponds exactly to the form of the point of the

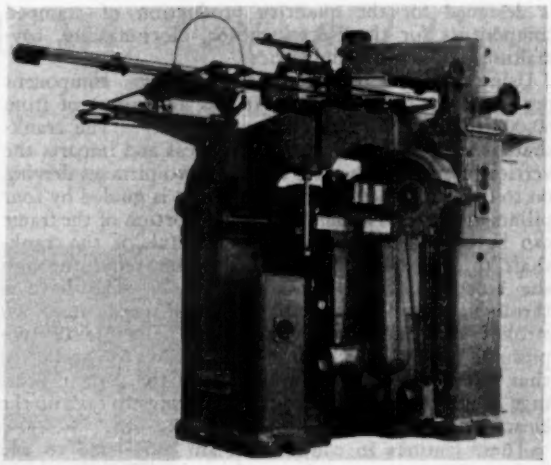


Fig. 3 Studer profile grinder showing pantograph gear

stylus, so that any path which the stylus may trace is precisely reproduced by the wheel. The movements of the stylus are transmitted to the wheel by the pantograph and a parallel motion, with a variable ratio that is adjustable at will; thus geometrically similar pieces of different sizes may be produced from a single template. As Fig. 3 shows, the pantograph with its linkage is well above the grinding position and does not interfere with the operator's control of the machine.

High-Speed Press With Underdrive

The German machine-tool industry occupied the largest number of stands at the Milan Exhibition—nearly 300 in all—and well maintained its standards of design, accuracy, and finish. One of the longest-established of the German exhibitors, L. Schuler A.G., of Göppingen, Württemberg, showed, among other tools, the high-speed underdriven press, Fig. 4, which

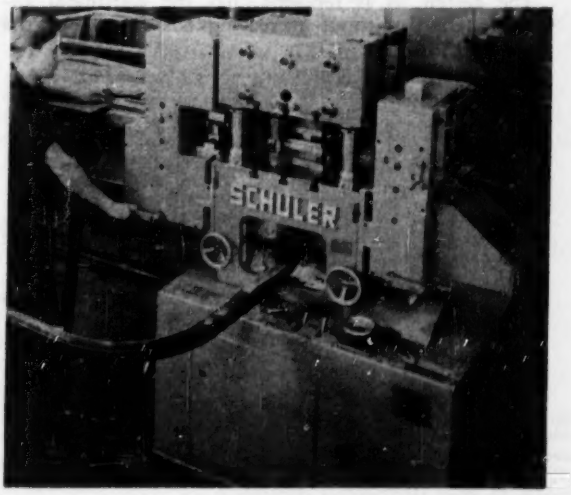


Fig. 4 Schuler high-speed press equipped with underdrive

is designed for the quantity production of stamped components for the electric-motor, clockmaking, toy-making, and similar industries.

Using a single tool and producing one component per stroke from strip stock, it has an output of from 60,000 to 100,000 parts per working day. The crankshaft is located in the base of the press and imparts the vertical motion to the ram through two pitmans driving on to opposite sides of the ram, which is guided by four pillars in the press frame. The upper portion of the frame can be canted backward about the axis of the crankshaft to allow stampings which cannot fall through the bolster to slide out to the back. The drive is through an infinitely variable gear, and speeds up to 500 strokes a minute can be attained. The use of two pitmans insures that the ram face is always parallel to that of the table, and lost motion in the pitman bearings is minimized by fitting strong springs to take up the clearance.

These features in conjunction are considered to add at least 25 per cent to the working life of the tools by restricting the penetration of the punch into the die.

Another cause of tool wear is the production of incomplete stampings, which results if the length of the strip that is being fed into the press is not an exact multiple of the feed. This is obviated by fitting a device which trims the strip at the beginning and end to the precise length required. A scrap shear is mounted behind the out-feed rollers and can be set to act either after every stroke or after any desired number of strokes, to cut up the scrap into convenient lengths for baling. It also can be thrown out of action when toolsetting, so that the operator can judge from the pierced strip that the setting is correct.

Heavy-Duty Lathe With Inclined Bed

The lathe shown in Fig. 5, which was exhibited by the Vereinigte Osterreichische Eisen- und Stahlwerke, of Linz-Donau, Austria, is unusual in having the bed inclined instead of being horizontal, to facilitate the removal of chips.

The design, it is reported, has the additional advantage that, without increasing the height of the centers above the floor, the front wall of the bed is made deeper, thus enhancing its stiffness as a beam. The drive from the motor, which is located in the end of the box bed, is through two sets of gears, giving 18 speeds, nine from 22.5 rpm to 162 rpm, and a further nine from 208 rpm to 1500 rpm. The longitudinal feed can be set from a graduated plate to within 0.1 mm (0.004 in.) and the cross-feed to within 0.05 mm. The $12^1/_2$-hp motor is of the squirrel-cage type. A 24-volt transformer actuates the electromagnetic clutches for the forward and reverse drive to the spindle.

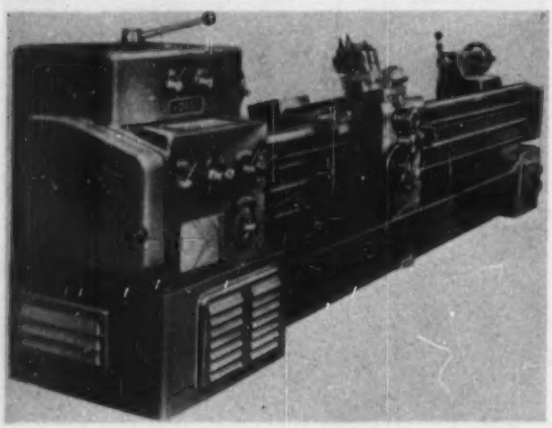


Fig. 5 General-purpose heavy-duty lathe with inclined bed

Compressed Air for Rock-Drilling

It is reported from Sweden that a considerable improvement in drilling efficiency has been effected in the iron mines at Kiruna by using portable air compressors situated near the working face instead of piping the air from a central compressing station. The improvement is stated to amount to an increase of 15 to 20 per cent in the aggregate footage of holes drilled per shift. In part, of course, this is attributable to the reduced leakage losses between the compressor and the drill, but the main reason is stated to be that the compressed air is still at a temperature of 75 C when it reaches the drill and that, in consequence, the lubrication of the drill is more effective than when the air is cooled to the very low temperatures encountered during much of the year in northern Sweden.

The tests were carried out by the Atlas Diesel Company of Stockholm, and are reported in their house journal, *Tryckluft*.

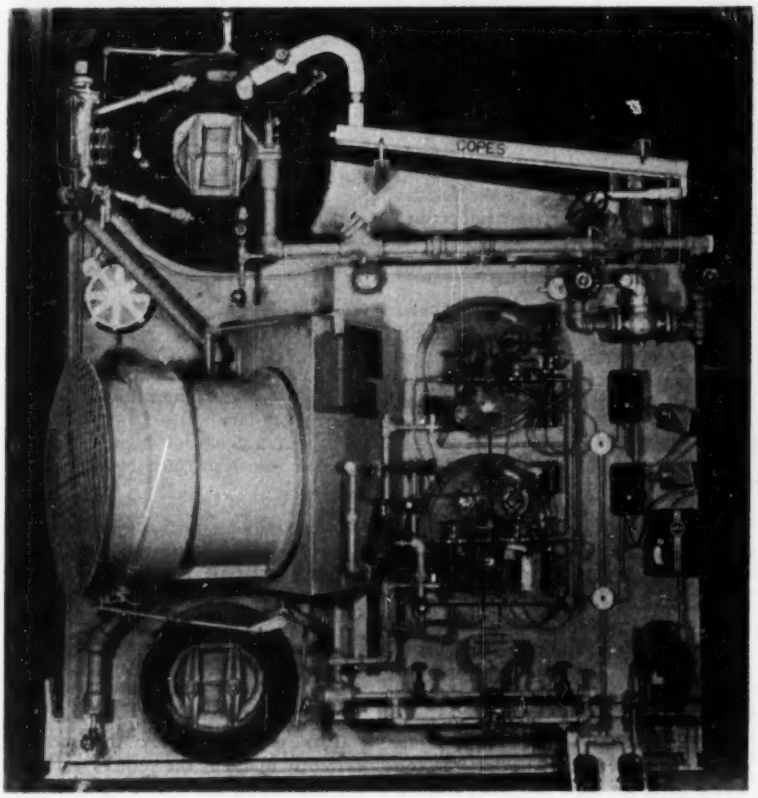
"Volumetric" Gas Turbine

Monsieur René Planche, of Villefranche-sur-Saône, France, whose small experimental gas turbine aroused considerable interest when it was described in "European Survey" in May, has contributed an article to *Le Génie Civil* (July 1, 1954) in which he discusses the possibility of constructing a gas turbine on the principle of a sliding-vane rotary blower or exhauster. The complete unit would consist of a compressor, a combustion chamber, and the sliding-vane turbine; a heat exchanger could be added if desired, to heat the air discharged from the compressor and so to recover some of the heat energy in the turbine exhaust. The edges of the sliding vanes, where they make contact with the interior surface of the casing, would be stiffened with a steel strip to prevent distortion.

Monsieur Planche calculates that, using a heat exchanger, an over-all thermal efficiency of 33 per cent could be obtained, with a fuel consumption of 175 gm per hp-hr of a fuel with a calorific value of 11,000 kcal per kg. The mechanical efficiency, he expects, would be 85 per cent.

It does not appear, however, that he has actually constructed a gas-turbine unit on these lines, but, as a manufacturer of rotary compressors and similar plant, he would be on familiar ground so far as concerned the mechanical details. The question seems to be whether such a machine would present any advantages over other types with fewer moving parts exposed to the hot gases.

Substance in Brief of Papers Presented at ASME Meetings



Packaged steam generator with standard semiautomatic controls mounted on boiler front before shipment from assembly plant

Steam Power Generation

Application of Automatically Controlled Water-Tube Packaged Steam Generators, by E. J. Lachner, Foster Wheeler Co., New York, N. Y. 1954 ASME Fall Meeting paper No. 54—F-28 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE paper lists physical and economic considerations of packaged steam-generator applications and discusses capacity range of single and multiple-unit installations. Approximate cost comparison is made between multiple-packaged steam generators and field-erected units. Automatic controls are discussed from the standpoint of application.

In conclusion, the following simple rules are offered for consideration when applying packaged units to steam plants:

1 Use standard products whenever possible to reduce cost to a minimum and profit by manufacturer's previous experience.

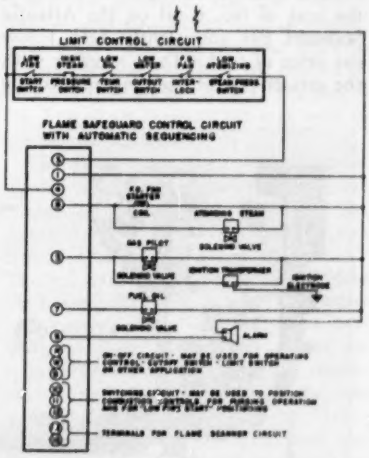
2 Consider operating and maintenance advantages of multiunit packaged-generator installations where field-erected units of larger individual capacity have been used in the past.

3 Keep controls simple. Safety and easy maintenance are essential. Investigate the opinions of the burner manufacturers who make neither controls nor boilers, but know combustion.

Selection of Control Equipment for Packaged Water-Tube Steam Generators, by A. W. Hindenlang, Combustion Engineering, Inc., New York, N. Y. 1954 ASME Fall Meeting paper No. 54—F-29 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE versatility and economy of the packaged water-tube steam generator for pressurized gas and oil firing have had a marked impact on the industrial boiler market. The resulting widespread acceptance of boilers of this category has led to considerable discussion on the type of control and protective equipment best-suited to this application.

A number of varying factors tend to complicate the selection of control equipment and safety devices which will suit exactly the requirements of all potential users. Yet the practice of custom-engineering each individual control system entails the loss of all the advantages of purchasing a standardized product. To insure the retention of these benefits, packaged control systems are offered in standard, performance-proved combinations of the various components. Thus most of the detail work is eliminated. The selective process requires only an engineered evaluation of system require-



Fully automatic arrangement for oil firing showing limit and flame-safeguard controls. This circuit has been reduced to its simplest form for clarity. Additional components must be added to make the system functional.

ments and selection of the standard control combination which best meets these requirements.

Among the factors which will influence the ultimate control selection are local codes and ordinances, insurance regulations, initial and operating costs, the nature of the plant load, the type of fuel to be burned, and the degree of training of maintenance personnel. Despite the apparent complexity of the selection when weighing the foregoing factors and other essential factors, the problem may be reduced to three basic decisions. Considerations fundamental to all control and protective systems for oil, gas, or combination-fired water-tube steam generators are: Flame-safeguard control—automatic or semiautomatic? limit controls—how many? and combustion controls—metering or positioning?

The suggested approach to proper control selection is to break the problem down into these three components. Selection may then be made of the proper package made up of the three standard components which suit the needs of the particular installation.

Recent Developments in Packaged Fire-Tube Boilers, by F. A. Loebel, Mem. ASME, Cleaver-Brooks Company, Milwaukee, Wis. 1954 ASME Fall Meeting paper No. 54—F-27 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

CERTAIN economic developments in recent years have favored oil and gas fuels for steam generation in many industrial areas. Since 1948, for example, the cost of No. 6 oil on the Atlantic Seaboard has consistently been below the price of coal. This, together with the greater ease of handling and storing oil, as compared with coal, increased the demand for packaged fire-tube boilers to the degree that it is estimated that over 40,000 units have now been constructed.

The growing use of natural gas, as a result of many new transmission lines, also has been a contributing factor.

During the construction boom after World War II, architects, engineers, and contractors were led to the selection of the packaged fire-tube boiler for both heating and process steam for hotels, hospitals, schools, and industrial establishments where the steam demands were in the range that unit sizes of 300 to 18,000 lb of steam per hr up to pressures of 250 psig could be used. During the period from 1948 until the present the demand for low-pressure boilers has increased to the point where it now represents a substantial portion of the manufacturing volume.

These new applications and popular acceptance brought new problems in the form of demands for certain features to meet changing economic conditions. Some of these items were:

1 The demand for automatic burners and boiler controls. The requirement for automatic burners implied automatic cold start, and for boilers as small as 1500 lb per hr of steam capacity operating on residual fuels.

2 Automation, which by its very nature often leads to less-skilled operators and less personal attention, places greater responsibility on the designer to safeguard the operation of the equipment with adequate controls and safety devices.

3 Accessibility and less maintenance are more important. The same factors which drive for more and more automation, namely, the use of less labor, and where needed, less-skilled labor, also influence the industrial design of machinery to reduce and facilitate maintenance.

4 New applications for heating, notably in schools, churches, and hospitals, have stressed the need for quiet operation.

5 The high cost of building construction has put certain limitations on boiler size, and minimum-space requirement is usually the rule.

6 The need for gas burners and combinations of gas with light oils and heavy oils. Requirements for changeover from one fuel to the other are generally manual but the burner and controls should be capable of being switched in a matter of a few minutes.

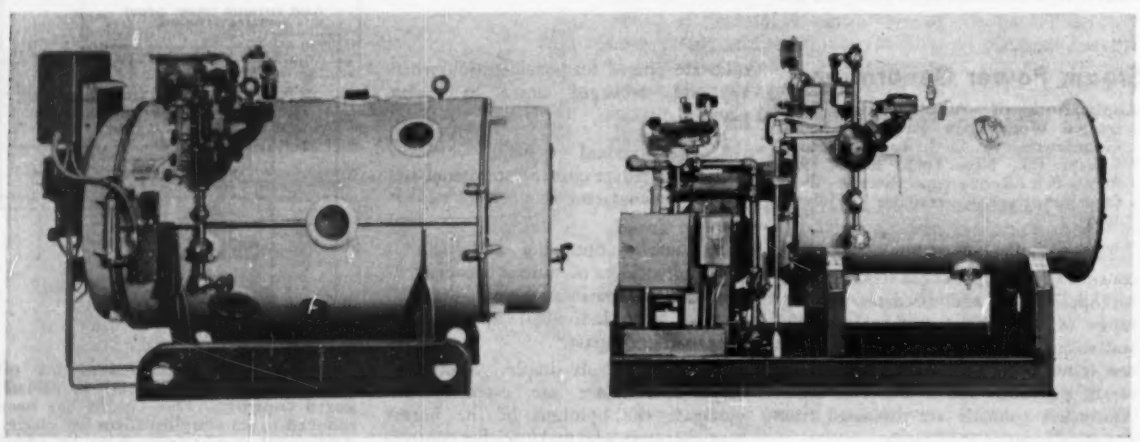
Thus changing market conditions introduced some real problems which affected both burner and boiler shell, as well as controls. The use of gas fuel, for example, in a unit which had been basically designed for oil, resulted in higher exit furnace temperatures because of less heat absorption due to the lower-flame luminosity.

A brief account of how these new requirements were met by redesign is presented.

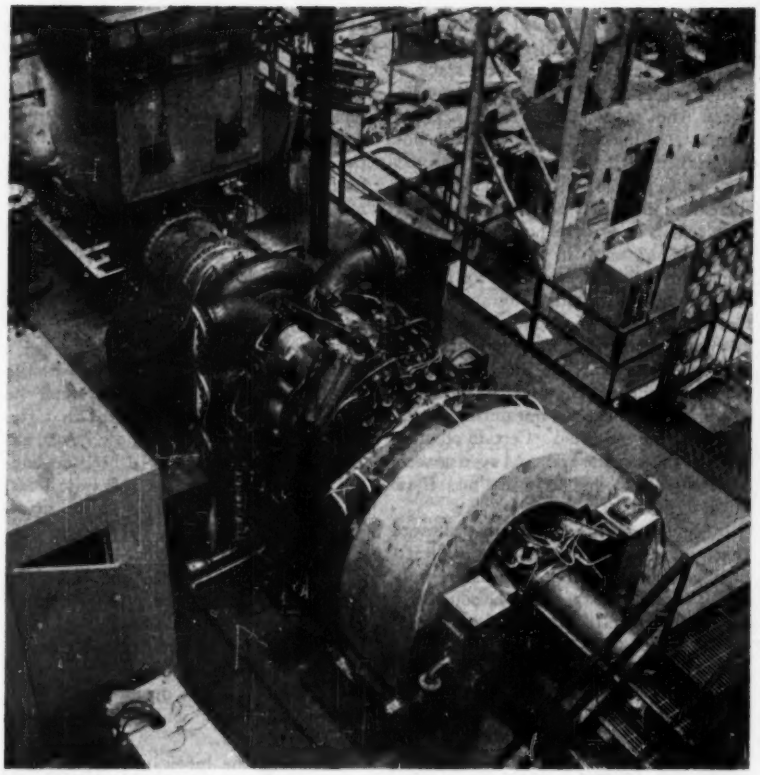
Gas Turbine Power

Gas Turbine-Power-Plant Testing, by T. D. McKone and R. L. Hendrickson, Mem. ASME, General Electric Company, Schenectady, N. Y. 1954 ASME Fall Meeting paper No. 54—F-35 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THIS paper describes the methods currently in use by the authors' company for evaluating the over-all performance of commercial gas-turbine power plants



Comparison of an integrated boiler-burner-control unit, shown at left, with older-style unit of identical capacity



G-E 5000-hp/3500-kw two-shaft regenerative-cycle gas turbine for Texas Power and Light Company, on test stand used to test the regenerative or simple-cycle two-shaft units. Provision has been made to by-pass the regenerator when testing simple-cycle machines.

by tests in the factory before shipment.

Facilities, instrumentation, and sample test results are included. A calculation system for correcting test performance to contract or guarantee condition is suggested.

Four general types of power plants are considered; they are, in the order of increasing complexity: (*a*) Simple-cycle, single-shaft; (*b*) simple-cycle, two-shaft; (*c*) regenerative-cycle, two-shaft; and (*d*) regenerative-intercooled-cycle, two-shaft.

Testing methods and instrumentation are arranged to minimize measurement difficulties, particularly those associated with the turbine gas temperatures. Tremendous quantities of data are assembled from the most elementary test runs.

These data are required in order to establish that machines will meet or exceed contract commitments.

For factory tests, corrections to guarantee conditions have been made without specific prior agreement with the purchaser, since these are considered manufacturing tests to prove quality prior to shipment. In anticipation of testing performed in accordance with the proposed ASME Test Code, these corrections to contract conditions would require careful specification prior to the test.

Sample test results and corrections have been discussed. Conservatively estimated uncertainties in the corrections are sufficient to increase the probable error of the final test results from ±0.76 to ±1.74 per cent in power, allowing a ±10 per cent uncertainty in each correction. The intention to so design and manufacture these machines is to provide adequate margins over guaranteed performance to cover all reasonable uncertainties.

As gas-turbine power plants grow to larger sizes and more complex cycles, factory testing probably will be impractical.

It may become necessary for the manufacturer to (*a*) guarantee performance over a wider range of operating conditions, or, (*b*) supply approximate corrections to guaranteed performance for comparison with actual conditions existing at the final installation.

Acceptance and Operational Tests of a 4250-Hp Coal-Burning Gas Turbine, Part I—Preliminary Oil-Fired Operation, by J. I. Yellott, P. R. Broadley, and W. M. Meyer, Locomotive Development Committee, Bituminous Coal Research, Inc., Dunkirk, N. Y. 1954 ASME Fall Meeting paper No. 54—F-39 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE Locomotive Development Committee of Bituminous Coal Research, Inc., has run more than 1500 hr of acceptance and operational tests on a 4250-hp Allis-Chalmers gas-turbine power plant. The first of two papers presents the results of the oil-fired acceptance test in which the turbine shaft output at contract conditions was found to be 4257 hp, or 13.5 per cent above the warranted 3750 hp.

The test equipment was erected on two locomotive-type underframes, 40 ft long, elevated 30 in. above the concrete floor of the building. The power plant, control cabinets, and lubricating-oil system were mounted on one bed, with the coal-preparation equipment and starting diesel on the second bed.

The compressor air intake was brought in from the roof through a 48-in-diam duct in which a flow nozzle could be mounted. The turbine exhausted through a rectangular stack (21 in. × 132 in.) which extended ten feet above the roof level. The blowoff-valve vent line also extended out through the roof. All of the equipment, with the exception of these ducts and the lubricating-oil cooler, was located within locomotive space restrictions.

Four 1000-hp d-c traction generators were driven from the Falk reduction gear. Two 175-kw a-c generators, a 40-kw d-c generator, and the Regulex exciter were also driven from the reduction gear. The load for the traction generators was provided by four G.E. air-cooled resistors which discharged the heated air through the east wall of the test building.

The twin combustors were mounted above the fly-ash separator which was anchored to the underframe at the inboard end (near the turbine) but was free to slide on the outboard pedestal. The end thrusts on the high-temperature expansion joints were opposed by pistons and compensating linkages. The bellows on these joints were cooled by relatively cool air bled from the expansion joints between the regenerator outlets and the combustors.

The turbine was operated from the control panel. Load was regulated by adjusting the field current of the Regulex exciter, while fuel flow was controlled pneumatically by a Hagan air-operated valve in the oil system and a variable-speed drive on the coal pump.

The test program was planned to conform with the ASME Test Code for Gas Turbine Power Plants which was being formulated while the turbine was being constructed. The primary object of the acceptance test was to determine the net shaft output of the plant at the specified operating conditions.

Other stated primary objects were to determine: Fuel and heat consumption, characteristics of protective systems, and starting characteristics.

Fuel and heat consumption were determined at full load and partial loads by a series of oil-fired tests. Protective system and starting characteristics were explored in detail during the preliminary operating period.

Many of the secondary objectives listed in Test Code Section 1.04 were very important in the routine operation of the plant, and instrumentation was included to measure or determine the following: Temperatures of fluids and materials, pressures and pressure differences, amplitude and frequency of vibrations, plant air rate, lubricating-oil pressures and temperatures, acceleration and overload characteristics, performance of components, dimensional variations, amount of solid products in exhaust, and temperature distribution at turbine inlet.

Acceptance and Operational Tests of a 4250-Hp Coal-Burning Gas Turbine, Part II—Coal-Fired Operation, by J. I. Yellott, P. R. Broadley, and W. M. Meyer, Locomotive Development Committee, Bituminous Coal Research, Inc., Dunkirk, N. Y. 1954 ASME Fall Meeting paper No. 54—F-40 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE 4250-hp Allis-Chalmers gas-turbine-power plant described in Part I was first operated on coal on Sept. 23, 1951. There was no perceptible difference in the operation of the plant when the fuel control switch was thrown from "oil" to "coal." The turbine ran as smoothly on coal as on oil. The division of coal between the two combustors proved to be so nearly equal that no adjustment was required. The ash-disposal system functioned properly and there was only a slight gray haze issuing from the stack.

In accordance with the agreement between the manufacturer and L.D.C., regular coal-burning operation was not undertaken until the acceptance test was run on Sept. 28, 1951. Immediately thereafter the plant was run for 178 hr with coal as its principal fuel, oil-burning pilots being used in the combustors. When the turbine was opened for inspection at the end of this program, it was free from both erosion and deposits but a number of minor corrections were found necessary. When these were completed and the turbine was reassembled, a 750-hr test was carried out during which coal was the only fuel. Certain changes in both the turbine and coal system were again found to be necessary and these are described.

In summary, the 750-hr test showed that power can be generated by a direct-fired gas turbine using coal as its only fuel. The turbine speed can be controlled by regulating rate of admission of coal to the combustors, and the entire load range can be covered without necessity for pilot flames. Building up of ash within the system can be prevented, and maintenance of combustors and fly-ash separators is not excessive. However, blade erosion will inevitably occur when any appreciable quantity of plus 20 micron ash is permitted to pass through the turbine.

Lubrication

Lubrication in the Machine-Tool Field, by E. C. Helmke, Gisholt Machine Company, Madison, Wis. 1954 ASME Fall Meeting paper No. 54—F-38 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THIS paper briefly reviews the history of machine-tool lubrication and discusses the problems involved in providing proper lubrication.

The following suggested line of reasoning is given to guide the machine-tool designer in specifying the proper lubricant. The machine-tool designer, to begin with, must determine whether the machine has a separate hydraulic and a separate lubrication system. He must determine what will be approximately the temperature extremes at which the machine will be operated. Again, he must know what purpose the hydraulic system serves. He should know whether the hydraulic mechanism is used for providing a feeding motion, or whether it is used only for providing certain auxiliary clamping or traversing motions.

If the machine has a separate hydraulic and a separate lubrication system, he should choose the heaviest oil that the hydraulic system will handle. Just exactly what this grade will be is dependent upon the size of the hydraulic lines, the size of the oil passages in the manifolding, and the size of any orifices, should there be an orifice type of control. Naturally, if these are large, the heavier oil can be used. It will generally be found that this heavier oil tends to give a more constant feed rate between a cold and hot machine. On the other hand, if these openings just mentioned are small, a lighter hydraulic fluid is required.

Choosing the lubricant now becomes comparatively simple in that it is only necessary to pick a lubricant that is as light as possible but that still is capable of carrying the load. A fairly good yardstick to determine the grade of lubricant is the type of gearing involved. If the mechanism involves the use of worm gearing, or similar gearing with a wiping action, the lubricant must be a bit heavier, and should have extreme pressure characteristics. The speed of the mechanism also is a factor. The old rule of thumb that says the higher the speed, the lighter the oil, is always a good one to follow.

The paper closes with the suggestion that the availability of pressure lubrication, better methods of obtaining fine surface finishes, and new synthetic ma-

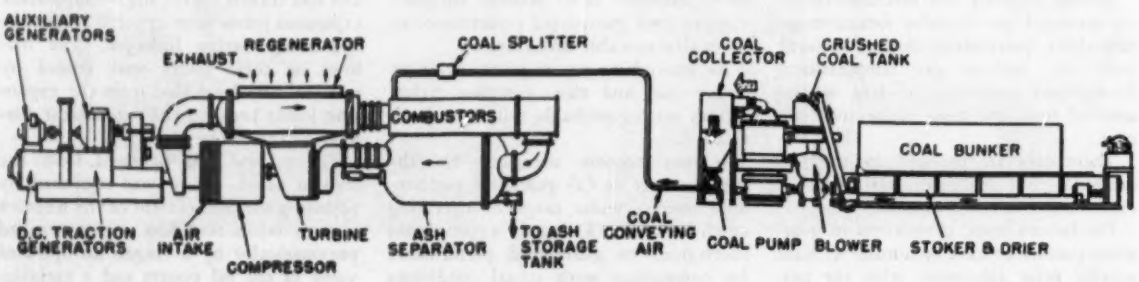


Diagram of 4250-hp locomotive direct-fired coal-burning gas-turbine test plant showing coal-preparation system

terials may provide the means for returning to the plain bearing on machine-tool spindles.

Production Engineering

How Can the Production Engineer Apply the Results of Metal-Cutting Research? by A. B. Albrecht, The Monarch Machine Tool Co., Sidney, Ohio; O. W. Boston, Mem. ASME, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.; E. H. Lee, Mem. ASME, Brown University, Providence, R. I.; M. E. Merchant, Mem. ASME, Cincinnati Milling Machine Co., Cincinnati, Ohio; E. T. Neubauer, Mem. ASME, Trane Co., La Crosse, Wis.; Jesse Sdano, Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., Milwaukee, Wis.; and M. C. Shaw, Mem. ASME, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass. 1954 ASME Fall Meeting paper No. 54—F-34 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THIS is a symposium mainly relating to the industrial application of the results of metal-cutting research. Recent endeavors on metal-cutting research are discussed. The objective of the symposium was to arrive at an understanding about the direction and nature which future metal-cutting research should take to best satisfy the needs of the production engineer in industry.

Machine Design

Approximate Synthesis of Four-Bar Linkages, by Ferdinand Freudenstein, Assoc. Mem. ASME, Columbia University, New York, N. Y. 1954 ASME Fall Meeting paper No. 54—F-14 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

IN THE design of computing mechanisms it is often desired to generate arbitrary functions in which the variables are represented by an analogous quantity such as a shaft rotation. Gear and cam mechanisms have been employed for this purpose. In recent times, consideration has been given to the use of bar linkages for function generation, in particular in connection with the development of fire-control devices.

Linkages are inherently light, inexpensive, adaptable to high speeds, and are friction-free. The class of functions suitable for linkage representation is large. Mechanisms involving a finite number of links possess an inherent error and it is the task of the designer to reduce this error to a sufficiently low value. A successful design procedure must combine the predominantly analytical considerations of linkage synthesis with practical considerations involving mechanical advantages, ranges, dead-center positions, friction, and backlash.

The large number of variables occurring in the synthesis of even a single 4-bar linkage and the complexity of their interaction, render an analytical treatment difficult. The development of that portion of the field of linkage synthesis pertaining to function generation therefore has been primarily graphical. This paper presents analytical methods.

Formulas are presented for obtaining the characteristics of a 4-bar linkage, designed to generate an arbitary function approximately over a finite range.

A number of methods of varying degrees of accuracy and complexity have been developed, enabling a designer to select the one best-suited to his requirements.

Semigraphical Solution of Acceleration Problems of Plane Cam-Driven Roller Followers and Four-Bar Linkages, by Chun Hung Chiang, Taiwain University, Taipei, Taiwain, Formosa. 1954 ASME Fall Meeting paper No. 54—F-15 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE dynamic effect of a cam-driven follower is primarily due to its acceleration, which is a function of the curvature of the cam surface, the angular velocity and angular acceleration of the cam, and the nature of the follower. Subjects dealing with acceleration problems for flat-faced followers have been investigated and discussed by many authors, both in cam design and in cam analysis. It seems that preference between analytical (algebraic) and graphical methods has not yet been determined among kinematicians.

This paper gives a simple means for finding the angular acceleration of a cam-driven oscillating roller follower or a follower crank of a four-bar linkage, and the linear acceleration of a reciprocating follower.

Both velocity and acceleration polygons are omitted completely. Only a few computing equations and construction lines on the space diagram are needed for the solution of such problems.

Most problems solved formerly by Coriolis' law also could be solved by the present method but the construction is simpler and will result in fewer errors and higher accuracy as compared with the polygons methods.

The Geometry of Crossed Helical Involute Gears, by H. C. Gray, Mem. ASME, Falk Corp., Milwaukee, Wis. 1954 ASME Fall Meeting paper No. 54—F-10 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE solution of problems involving the selection of gear-tooth combinations for operation on crossed shafts is simple by the cut-and-try method, while for the solution of problems encountered in gear hobbing and gear shaving an attempt is made to clarify the geometry involved.

Because of the nature of the action of crossed helical gears, it seemed desirable to discuss them in terms of pitch cylinders instead of pitch circles, base cylinders instead of base circles, and so on.

Certain terms necessitate definitions differing somewhat from similar terms used with parallel shaft gears. These definitions are given in the appendix. Symbols conform generally to those given in ASA Letter Symbols for Gear Engineering, B6.5-1949.

Instruments and Regulators

ASME and BSI Terminologies for Process Control, by A. J. Young, Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd., London, England. 1954 ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Conference paper No. 54—IRD-10 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE most recent revisions of the ASME and BSI proposals for a Standard Code of Process Control terminology are compared. The two proposals are examined, with the object of emphasizing how much they have in common and of showing how easily most of the basic differences can be reconciled. For comparison, the terms are considered in five groups: Components of process-control system, signals passing around the system, characteristics of control equipment, characteristics of process and plant, and basic concepts required for specifying control-system behavior.

A comparion is made between the two nomenclatures for the elementary components of the simple control loop.

It is concluded that the two proposals have so much in common that no great difficulty need be encountered in producing a single standard code based upon them.

The Standardization of Automatic-Control Terminology in Germany, by R. Oetker, Siemens and Halski A. G., Karlsruhe, Germany. 1954 ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Conference paper No. 54—IRD-6 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE preliminary work of standardizing automatic-control terminology in Germany had already begun in 1939 by members of the VDI (Verein Deutscher Ingenieure—Society of German Engineers) and the VDE (Verband Deutscher Elektrotechniker—Association of German Electrical Engineers). Due to the war, however, the work was never completed at that time.

The DNA (Deutscher Normenausschuss—German Standards Commission) took this work up again, and, in January, 1954, published a pamphlet of standard terms entitled "Automatic Control Concepts and Terms," DIN 19226. These standards are accepted and used by both the VDI and the VDE. These standards of automatic-control terminology contain terms connected with closed-loop control, and are sufficiently basic and general to be equally applicable to both the fields of process control and of servomechanisms.

The Integration of Concepts in the Terminology of Measurement and Control, by H. L. Mason, Mem. ASME, National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C. 1954 ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Conference paper No. 54—IRD-3 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

Problems in measurement and control arise in every field of science and technology but many aspects are common or interdependent. Examination is made of the origins, nature, spread, and fixity of the relevant American words and their glosses.

Existing agencies are noted and suggestions are made as to useful approaches to, and procedures in, terminology.

Terminology Applied to Automatic-Control Combinations, by L. A. Ledgett, Mem. ASME, Colgate-Palmolive Company, Jersey City, N. J. 1954 ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Conference paper No. 54—IRD-7 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

To aid in the understanding and acceptance of terminology published in the bulletin, "Automatic Control Terminology," by the ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Committee on Terminology, section 900, as applied to "Combination Automatic Controllers," is discussed.

Philosophy leading to, and justification for, the proposed terminology is presented with block-diagram illustrations of classified types of control combinations.

A German-English Dictionary of Automatic-Control Terms, by D. W. Pessen, Assoc. Mem. ASME, Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, Philadelphia, Pa. 1954 ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Conference paper No. 54—IRD-4 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

Since the science of automatic control is a relatively new one, most of the terms associated with it have become crystallized only during the past decade. It is therefore no wonder that existing German-English scientific dictionaries include practically no automatic-control terms. This has made it difficult for the English-speaking reader to follow the increasing German literature on the subject.

This paper presents a short German-English dictionary of automatic-control terms. The dictionary also lists many technical terms of a more general nature which are used frequently in German articles on the subject.

A list of standard German automatic-control symbols and conventions is included in the appendix.

The aim of this dictionary is not to supplant, but to supplement existing German-English scientific dictionaries, and to help the reader make use of the increasing output of German literature in the automatic-control field.

The Education and Training of Professional Engineers in the United Kingdom, by Willis Jackson, Metropolitan-Vickers Electrical Co. Ltd., Manchester, England. 1954 ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Conference paper No. 54—IRD-1 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

The education and training of professional engineers in the United Kingdom follows a different pattern than technological education in the United States. The qualifications for corporate membership in the professional Institutions of Great Britain require:

1 That the candidate shall have been educated in the scientific and engineering principles of his profession, as established by his ability to pass or obtain exemption from the Institution's examinations.

2 That he shall have been trained systematically in its practice in a manner approved by the Institution.

3 That he shall have occupied a position of adequate responsibility in engineering work for an approved period.

There are two main routes by which these requirements may be satisfied:

1 By the attainment of a university degree in the appropriate branch of engineering, followed by a two-year period of practical training under industrial or professional conditions and a minimum of two years of responsible experience.

2 By the attainment at a technical college of a Higher National Certificate in the appropriate branch of engineering, supplemented by such additional subjects as may be required by the Institution concerned, combined with practical training of at least 4 years' duration and a minimum of 2 years' responsible experience.

The products of the two schemes tend to possess somewhat different characteristics. While they have much in common, the first provides a broader and deeper knowledge of scientific and engineering principles and of mathematics, and a greater facility in applying them to new technical problems. The latter provides a more intimate knowledge of workshop and drawing-office practice and technique. These qualities are complementary, and there can be no question that industry has benefited considerably by the alternative approaches to professional status. Opportunities for advancement to positions of senior responsibility are equally open to the members of both groups. Details of education and training within these two lines of approach to professional competence are given.

Servoteaching in France With Special Reference to Aeronautical Engineers, by J. C. Gille, Technical Aeronautical Services, Paris, France. 1954 ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Conference paper No. 54—IRD-5 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

The paper gives an outline of the organization of education of engineers in France, with special reference to the present state of education in feedback-system engineering.

It points out some particular features of servoteaching in France compared to the United States—these being due to differences in the organization of education and in the background of the students.

The last part is devoted to servoteaching of aeronautical-engineering students at the École Nationale Supérieure de l'Aéronautique of Paris.

Professional Engineering Education, by L. M. K. Boelter, Fellow ASME, University of California, Los Angeles, Calif. 1954 ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Conference paper No. 54—IRD-11 (multilithographed; available to July 1,1955).

The professional engineer solves the problems of tomorrow; the technician solves today's problems. The professional engineer must accept responsibility for (1) The rational planning and design of the engineering system of our society, and (2) adding the new knowledge of the physical, biologi-

cal, and social sciences to that available at the moment as the science and as the art of engineering in ever-changing forms and recipes to meet the needs of the society of tomorrow. The technician, on the other hand, solves those problems for which methods of solution are already available, namely, the problems of the day.

The beginnings of the development of professional graduate-engineering education is a natural result of two forces: (1) The present great diversification of a fraction of engineering knowledge, and (2) the great number of historical engineering tasks which are now being absorbed by other professional and quasi-professional groups.

For the professional engineer of the future it is proposed that the activities in the four-year high-school period be intensified, where necessary, and to include emphasis on the humanities as well as on mathematics and the physical sciences. The four-year college period will resemble the present curriculum, with less specialization and with a greater emphasis on the engineering sciences. The reasoning processes, the modes of expression, and basic work in the physical and life sciences during the junior and senior years will receive attention. Less rote assignments and more opportunity for the expression of individual initiative will be encouraged. The curriculum will give the student an insight of professional engineering through both analytical and experimental design experience of an elementary nature and will lead to a BS degree. Industrial experience during this period will be encouraged and will be arranged in a manner convenient to the student, the school, and the industry.

Then will follow the graduate experience for those qualified utilizing the criteria of energy, ability, initiative, and creativeness as a basis of student selection. Depending on the academic and industrial experience arrangement, the degree of Bachelor, Master, and Doctor of Engineering will be awarded to students who meet the requirements of the respective curricula.

The Role of Measurement and Instrumentation in Engineering Education, by J. A. Hrones, Mem. ASME, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass. 1954 ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Conference paper No. 54—IRD-8 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE engineer must be able to undertake new and challenging problems with a competence which rests upon a clear understanding of fundamental principles.

Basic to such understanding is a thorough knowledge of the quantities in which physical phenomena are measured and expressed. Among such quantities are force, length, time, temperature, pressure, density, concentration, composition, and the like. Knowledge of a system is expressed only when changes in the important quantities of the system can be expressed in terms of time and the disturbance causing those changes. A sound training in the engineering sciences can exist only if the problems of measurement and instrumentations are integrated into these courses.

A discussion of this philosophy with suggested methods is the subject of this paper.

Instrumentation Problems in the University, by R. J. Jeffries, Michigan State College, East Lansing, Mich. 1954 ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Conference paper No. 54—IRD-9 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THIS paper formulates the problems posed for the university by the scope and complexities of current activities in measurement, computation, and control. It identifies problems pertaining to (*a*) Instrumentation and research, (*b*) instrumentation in existing educational programs, and (*c*) new programs in instrumentation education. The author advances some observations as to needs and approaches to solution.

Advances in Null-Type Recorder Design, by I. F. Kinnard, M. A. Princi, Mem. ASME, and A. Hansen, Jr., Mem. ASME, General Electric Company, West Lynn, Mass. 1954 ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Conference paper No. 54—IRD-12 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE null-type instrument has for many years provided the means for accurate measurement of process variables. The art has enjoyed continuous advance, especially from the application of electronic techniques, which have improved materially the performance of this type of instrument in its functions of indication, recording, and initiating control action. Advances in the application of present magnetic materials and newly developed semiconductor materials have now made possible further significant improvements in three important elements used in these instruments. (1) A bonded Alnico VI permanent magnet is used as a reference in place of the conventional saturated standard cell. (2) The Hall effect in germanium is the basis of a new dc-ac converter. (3) A 60-cycle electromagnetic-balancing device has been designed to operate from the output of a-c primary detectors. Using these newly developed system elements, two new null-balance recorders have been designed that offer improved accuracy and reduced maintenance.

This paper describes primarily the overall operation and performance of these two recorders—one a potentiometric instrument for use with primary detectors supplying d-c signals, and the other an a-c bridge balance instrument for use with primary detectors supplying a-c signals.

The potentiometric arrangement employs a new magnetic device for continuous and accurate standardization of the measurement circuit, resulting in the elimination of the slide-wire potentiometer and standard-cell reference of conventional systems. In addition, the instrument has a newly-developed static type of dc-ac converter.

The a-c bridge instrument provides an electromagnetic means of balancing the measurement bridge.

Common mechanical system elements are used in both instruments to facilitate the change from a-c to d-c measurement.

Ten Years of Progress in Instrumentation in the Steel Industry, by J. W. Percy, U. S. Steel Corp., Kearney, N. J. 1954 ASME Instruments and Regulators Division Conference paper No. 54—IRD-2 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

WORLD WAR II gave automatic control a tremendous "shot in the arm." That phase of controls which makes use of electronics has developed greatly since 1941. The electronic continuous balancing potentiometer has practically reduced the earlier mechanical potentiometer to obsolescence. Some instrument manufacturers no longer offer the mechanical models for sale. The advantages gained with the use of electronics have spoken for themselves.

Pneumatically operated controls have been in use industrially for a number of years but have found little favor in the steel industry. This disinterest probably was not the result of inherent weaknesses in the pneumatic control itself so much as it was the misapplications, lack of adequate maintenance, and failure to supply clean air. Within the past three or four years a number of installations of pneumatic controls have been made, some with reluctance, on an experimental basis and a few on permanent systems. Since the absolute necessity of a supply of clean, oil-free, dry air is now generally conceded, it seems quite probable that

more and more of this type of control will be used in the steel process.

Hydraulic controls are now so well established in the field that little need be said for them. However, new electronic measurement and control devices are now being offered that are extremely sensitive and almost instantaneous in operation. They may force hydraulic systems out of the running some time in the not-too-distant future.

The recovery of coal chemicals has been rather well controlled for some time. A new installation now under construction will be almost completely automatic. The control system will include the use of new miniature instruments. In this new installation more than 100 small instruments of the pneumatic type will be mounted on a graphic panel about 80 ft long. The controls will be well isolated from the process in an air-conditioned room.

The newer, modern open-hearth furnace is a well-controlled piece of equipment. To the author's knowledge, all of the furnaces built within the past ten years have been equipped with pressure control, fuel-air ratio control, roof-temperature measurement, and automatic reversal. These controls are well integrated and have proved highly advantageous.

In general, the control system used on soaking pits has not been augmented greatly in the past ten years. At least one new installation made use of a combination of pneumatic and electrical control, a change from the usual electric-hydraulic system. All of the new batteries placed in operation in recent years have been equipped with controls for temperature, pressure, and fuel-air ratio on combustion.

During the past ten years the rolling of steel, particularly heating for rolling, has been placed under just about as good control as the present state of the science offers. Three-zone, triple-fired, reheating furnaces have been built in a number of plants and have proved to be satisfactory.

Petroleum Mechanical Engineering

Mechanical Advancements in the Alkylation Process, by S. R. Stiles, The M. W. Kellogg Company. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-33 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE alkylation process utilizing sulphuric acid catalyst achieves considerable saving in operating and investment costs due to the advantageous features associated with the use of the Cascade Reactor. These developments are reviewed and a comparison between the Jet and the Cascade systems presented, including respective equipment sizes.

A discussion of the alkylation mechanism is included along with yields obtained from typical alkylation feed streams.

Alkylation has many advantages over catalytic polymerization because (1) isobutane as well as olefines are converted, resulting in an increased product yield; (2) alkylate is essentially free of gum-forming materials so that additives are not required; (3) alkylate has a higher tetraethyl-lead response; and (4) performance in supercharged engines is superior to catalytic polymerization gasoline product.

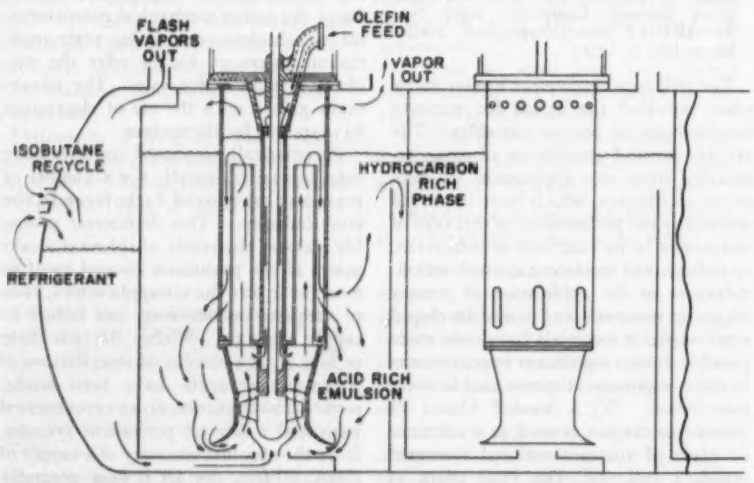


Diagram showing details of the M. W. Kellogg cascade alkylation reactor

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In-Situ Combustion Oil-Recovery Process—Installation for Field Experiment in Jefferson County, Okla., by R. L. Koch, J. F. Gleason, Jr., and W. G. Boston, Magnolia Petroleum Company, Dallas, Tex. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-13 (multilithographed; available to July, 1, 1955).

THIS paper describes a field test of the thermal method for recovery of crude oil from underground formations based upon the generation of thermal energy by burning a small portion of the reservoir's oil while in place, i.e., "in-situ." This test was the second such test conducted in Jefferson County, Okla., and utilized a five-spot well pattern.

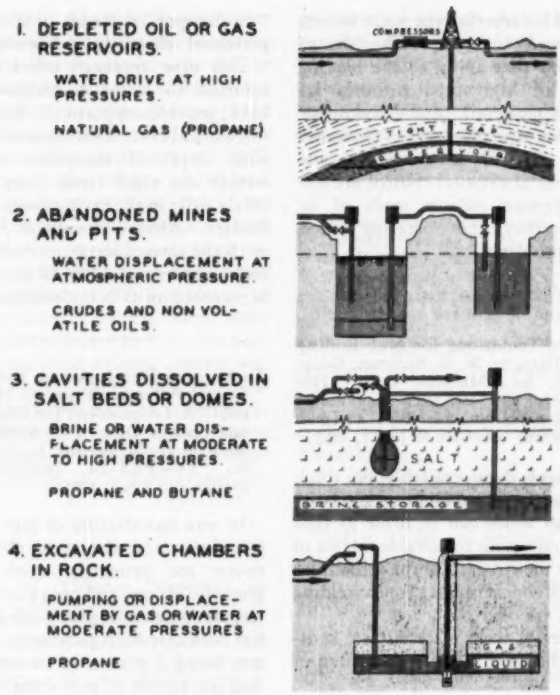
The theory is that crude oil and water are swept ahead of the burning front as a result of the combined effect of the heat generated by combustion and the flow of the combustion gases. This test produced general information on the volumetric sweep efficiency, the amount of air required to support combustion, and the air-supply requirement as related to the rate of advance of the burning front. Diagrams and photographs of the test and the test apparatus are shown and described.

Excavated Underground Storage for Petroleum Products, by R. L. Loofbourow, Minneapolis, Minn. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-25 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

UNDERGROUND storage is warehousing in reservoirs or chambers of desired capacity, usefully located, from which stored product may be removed as it is desired. Storage may be in natural reservoirs, in abandoned pits or mines, or in specially built cavities or chambers. It may be at atmospheric pressure, but underground storage is particularly suited to storage under moderate or high pressure because then the confining weight and resistance of rock may be utilized.

This paper discusses pressure storage in underground excavations, and atmospheric pressure storage in abandoned pits or mines. For perspective, it contains some information on other types.

The rapid expansion in underground storage of petroleum products is due to its economic usefulness, specifically in securely storing large volumes of products at low cost and within a reasonable distance of a desired location.



Types of underground storage for petroleum products

Capital costs of storage are least where natural reservoirs or abandoned mines may be used, but the total cost of storing a product may not always show the same relationship. Moreover, various types of storage are not usually comparable as to the conditions under which they may be used or as to the extent of their usefulness.

Excavated underground storage has a history of five years. It needs further development in site investigation and in means of sealing permeability. It may be used in several geological environments where other types of underground storage cannot, and it is adaptable to storage of gases, liquefied gases, and liquids.

Wind-Induced Vibration of a Pipe-Line Suspension Bridge and Its Cure, by R. C. Baird, Mem. ASME, The Fluor Corporation, Ltd., Los Angeles, Calif. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-12 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THIS paper concerns a solution to a critical pipe-line bridge-vibration problem. The answer to the problem resulted from the application of scientific research methods. As the first step toward a solution, careful measurements were made which laid bare the fundamental cause of the trouble. Following this, several possible solutions were conceived, and the most practical appearing one was selected for testing.

Dynamic tests on models were made to verify the choice and to aid in full-scale design. Finally, a full-scale aerodynamic vibration damper was applied to the suspension bridge and the results checked by scientific measurements. The resulting solution for preventing vibration of suspension bridges is thought to be completely new, and the subject pipe-line bridge the first of its kind to which it has been applied.

A Damper for Wind-Induced Bridge Vibration—Experimental Studies, by R. C. Baird, Mem. ASME, and A. J. Ebersole, The Fluor Corporation, Ltd., Los Angeles, Calif. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-11 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

REFERENCE is made to a problem of aerodynamically induced pipe-line suspension-bridge oscillation encountered by well-known natural-gas-transmission companies. The theory underlying a proposed aerodynamic solution to the problem is discussed and the experimental apparatus devised for verifying its practical utility described. Data and results obtained experimentally are presented which show the high degree with which the proposed solution can be expected to apply to full-scale requirements.

The results indicate that tendencies for the development of disastrous wind-induced oscillation of pipe-line suspension bridges can be economically eliminated by easy application of inexpensive lightweight panels. Such paneling operates to eliminate, at their source, the oscillation-stimulating forces otherwise resulting from presence of the von Kármán Trail.

Economics of Design of Heat Exchangers, by E. B. Anderson and E. W. Flaxbart, Western Supply Company, Tulsa, Okla. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-29 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

SHELL-AND-TUBE heat-exchanger equipment usually constitutes from 5 to 15 per cent of the total equipment cost of a new gasoline plant or refinery. The selection of the proper exchanger system is very important, for upon it depends the size of the fired heaters and cooling towers—items which demand continuing operating expense. The more heat transferred by process heat exchangers, the smaller the fired heaters and cooling towers. It is necessary for the process engineer to make this economic balance and specify what he thinks to be the most economical exchanger system. But the selection is not a simple one. Corrosion, product contamination, pumping costs, and various other process considerations add to the complexity of the problem.

This paper presents curves which compare costs of various designs of shell-and-tube exchangers constructed of ferrous and nonferrous alloys. These curves will aid the engineer in making a rapid selection of the most economical exchanger for a specific service.

The Use of Electronic Digital Computers in Pipe-Line Design and Operation, by T. Y. Hicks, International Business Machine Corporation, Houston, Texas, and G. V. Rohleder, Service Pipe Line Company, Tulsa, Okla. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-31 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

TO PROPERLY evaluate the adaptability of present data processing to automatic-machine computation the following approach is suggested:

1 Obtain information on the type, purpose, volume, frequency, time limitation, accuracy, procedures, and over-all costs of analysis now being performed without the use of electronic computers.

2 Determine whether some of the present analysis can be eliminated or combined without hindering performance or whether additional analyses can be made to improve performance.

3 Determine the cost and/or intangible advantages or disadvantages of machine computation over present method.

The use of electronic digital computers by pipe lines will provide answers to problems which previously have been considered too tedious and time-consuming.

Greater economy and more effective machine utilization will usually be obtained by pooling the data-processing requirements of several departments, e.g., accounting, engineering, and operating.

On problems which have been solved by the use of electronic computers the savings on the initial calculations have been 50 per cent and up over manual methods. Since the initial planning and programming is the most time and thought-consuming and is required only once, greater savings will be realized by repetitive solutions.

Design Problems and Applications of High-Speed Turbines, by H. Steen-Johnsen, Mem. ASME, Elliott Company, Jeannette, Pa. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-3 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

A LARGE portion of the steam turbines bought by industry are for direct drive of the driven machine such as pumps, compressors, paper mills, refrigeration machines, etc. Turbines used for these drives are referred to as mechanical-drive turbines, and the horsepower spread is from 5-hp pump drives to 15,000-hp blast-furnace compressor drives and higher for special applications. These turbines may be single-stage or multistage turbines and with either single or multiple-inlet valves. In this field there is a trend to multistage machines in the small horsepowers, taking advantage of the increased efficiency of the multistage turbine.

Turbine speeds cover a wide range—from 1200 rpm up to 12,000 rpm. The majority of applications have been in the 2500 to 4000-rpm speed range but recently there is a growing demand for 3000 to 5000-hp turbines in the high-speed bracket, that is, from 7000 rpm up to, say, 12,000 rpm.

This demand for turbines originates with an increasing demand for compressor drives for refineries and other process industries such as steel-mill coke ovens, gas works, refrigeration, and so on.

This paper outlines briefly the coverage of the mechanical-drive turbine field as background for treating the main subject of high-speed turbines. The design modifications that apply to the blading and rotor of high-speed turbines are covered in some detail. Speed and horsepower limits are discussed. Governor and speed control is mentioned and various types of external control are discussed. Mention also is made of assembly, erection, and operating procedures and problems.

Electric-Arc Technique for Stub-Ending Drill Collars, by W. S. Bachman, Drilco Oil Tools, Inc., Midland, Texas. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-21 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE fatigue data available on thick hand-welded sections indicates that satisfactory stub welds can be made at field machine shops with reasonable factors of safety over the strength of the drill-collar pin and box connection if proper welding procedures are used.

A number of weld materials are satisfactory if the weld is free of inclusions or defects.

Proper preheat and stress relief are very essential to the success of arc-welded drill-collar stubs.

A proper design using a back-up plug or ferrule to eliminate the first bead and provide a smooth bore is advantageous.

Field Co-Ordinating Organization for Improving Efficiency of Petroleum-Refinery Maintenance, by E. C. Hermann, Esso Standard Oil Company, Bayway Refinery, Linden, N. J. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-4 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

OVER the years there has been a steady increase in the complexity of mechanical work methods used in the performance of refinery maintenance, particularly large refineries, and it has become extremely difficult to continue improving the efficiency with which men, materials, and tools are utilized. A recent reorganization of a large refinery-maintenance group, patterned after a new trend now appearing in several processing industries, is outlined.

In refineries having relatively large maintenance forces, there is a trend toward decentralization of mechanical supervision including reassignment of some individual-craft supervisor functions, concurrently with the addition of effective work-planning techniques and controls. All factors are applied to provide an organization geared to service all "on-the-spot" demands of the operating personnel efficiently and promptly.

This new approach offers a possible solution to major co-ordinating problems, provides opportunity for improved mechanical-craft training, and makes possible improved manpower utilization within the rigid trade lines that currently exist in the craft groups of most refineries. After 9 months of functioning with the revised setup, over-all efficiency improvements of 12 to 20 per cent have been noted in this maintenance effort.

Techniques Developed in Testing Reinforced Polyester Pipe, by H. D. Boggs and D. R. Longenecker, The Fibercast Corp., Sand Springs, Okla. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-14 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

IN THE manufacture of pipe from reinforced thermosetting resin, three types of resins are primarily used—polyester, phenolic-epoxy, and epoxy resins. Thus far, all commercial pipe made at Fibercast has been cast with polyester. This product, being a pioneer in its field, has not had the benefit of past years' experience, and some of the problems involved have been slow in being resolved. However, where standard procedures for similar products were found applicable, they have been used.

In this paper an attempt is made to illustrate some of the technological difficulties encountered as well as some conclusions that were made in the attempt to establish accurate physical test data.

Field-Welding of Heavy-Wall Pressure Vessels, by F. A. Upson, Standard Oil Company (Indiana), Whiting, Ind. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-5 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

IN GENERAL, it has been found that the problems encountered in the field-welding of heavy-wall vessels are not essentially different in type from these encountered in the shop-welding of such vessels. The major differences are to be found in the reduced facilities for convenience in performing the work, as a result of field conditions, which result in a change in the relative importance of many of the factors. For instance, in field work all welding usually must be done in a fixed position, provision must be made for adequate protection against the weather, extensive rigging is often required for radiography, and repair of defective welds may be much more difficult. In addition, since stress-relieving involves

insulating the vessel and oftentimes rather elaborate facilities for providing the heat and distributing it to the various parts of the vessel, the cost of field stress relief is much higher than the cost of the usual shop stress relief.

From experience gained in the field-welding of a number of new heavy-wall pressure vessels up to 5 in. thick, the author has developed a technique which offers guidance for the successful accomplishment of this phase of providing refinery facilities. Field-welding of heavy-wall pressure vessels offers many problems for solution which do not exist in the case of shop-welding similar vessels. For each of these problems the author suggests solutions in some detail, and precautionary measures which have been found justified, as well as remedial measures which occasionally are required.

Resistance of Tubular Materials to Sulphide Corrosion Cracking, by J. P. Fraser and R. S. Treseder, Shell Development Company, Emeryville, Calif. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-20 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

A TYPICAL sulphide corrosion-cracking failure of tubing in a sour gas-condensate well is described in detail. A laboratory test procedure is described which allows alloys to be related as to their resistance to sulphide corrosion cracking. Using this rating, based on the critical stress to cause cracking in a standard laboratory test, a study has been made of the relative susceptibility to cracking of a large number of heats of commercial tubular alloys (e.g., N-80, J-55, 5 per cent nickel steel, and 9 per cent nickel steel).

It has been shown that significant improvement in the resistance to cracking of commercial N-80 tubing can be effected by means of a simple tempering heat-treatment.

The Influence of High-Strength Materials on the Design and Fabrication of Layer Vessels, by G. E. Fratcher, Process Equipment Division, A. O. Smith Corp., Milwaukee, Wis. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-35 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

MATERIAL is an important criterion and one of the limiting factors in the design of high-pressure vessels. Laboratory work is continually progressing for the search of higher-strength materials of good ductility that are readily weldable for larger vessels at higher pressures.

Commercial large-size installations of pressures of 3000 to 5000 psi were the problem of yesterday and are common today. The need for materials of higher strength for the increasing pressures of tomorrow are a challenge to the supplier, the designer, and the fabricator.

Adapting Radiography to Petroleum-Industry Needs, by H. Hovland, Industrial X-Ray Engineers, Seattle, Wash. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-17 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE radiographic work in the petroleum industry falls into two classes:

1 Radiography required by existing codes, such as the API-ASME Pressure Vessel Code.

2 Radiography specified by the owner for the control of weld quality.

Today, by far the greatest amount of radiography in the petroleum field comes under Class 2. This is because of improvements in equipment design and methods which make radiographic control feasible from an engineering and economic viewpoint. Another reason is perhaps because owners and fabricators have become aware of the advantages of radiography for control of weld quality.

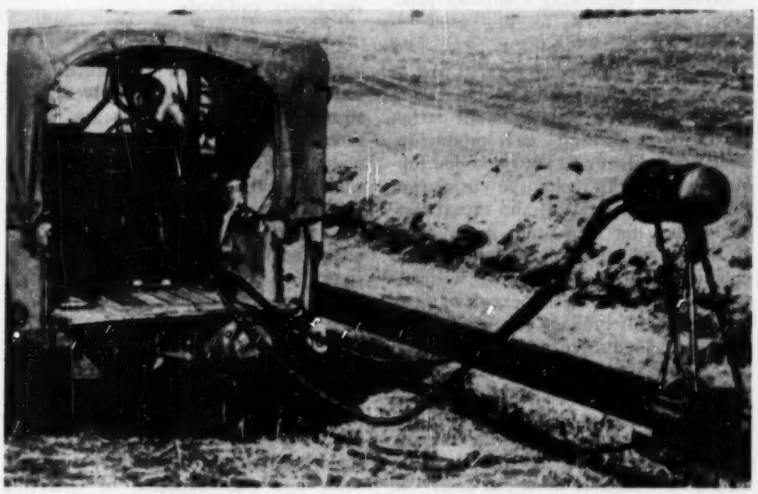
The use of radiography has changed a great deal since 1931, when the first ASME radiographic specifications were adopted. At that time radiographic specifications were solely for inspection; usually a vessel was completely welded before any radiographic tests were made. Obviously, the welding was then either acceptable or not acceptable. X-ray equipment was so bulky as to limit the method almost entirely to one location in the shop. Now improved x-ray design that permits the machine to be taken to the work permits radiographic examination immediately following welding fabrication. In addition to inspection, this provided welding supervision with a continuous control of weld quality.

Bottom-Hole Pressure Surges While Running Pipe, by E. H. Clark, Jr., Baker Oil Tools, Inc., Los Angeles, Calif. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-22 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THIS paper deals with a method of calculating bottom-hole pressure surges due to movement of tubular goods in a well bore and the use of these values in predicting their effect on further drilling and completion.

The importance of these pressure surges is pointed out by the fact that, if not controlled, they can lead to blowouts, lost circulation, excessive mud costs, wet-cement jobs, high gas-oil ratios through communications, or stuck drill pipe. The importance of pressure surges during casing running is emphasized, since these values are generally considerably higher than those of drill pipe. Recommended methods are presented for controlling both drill pipe and casing pressures at very little cost.

The general conclusions are that drill pipe or casing velocity, acceleration, and deceleration can and should be minimized without markedly changing drilling time. Through such action of the resultant savings in "trouble," costs will pay a thousand times over for the few dollars extra per round trip. In drilling, mud should be mixed and weighted in



X-ray equipment shown in use on small-diameter lines and refinery piping

such a manner as to maintain the plastic viscosity and yield strength at the lowest possible value consistent with other problems. Also, during casing jobs in "tight holes," particular care must be taken with dropping time, or displacements should be relieved by fill-up devices to prevent the bottom-hole pressure from causing excessive amounts of damage.

Report on the Protection of Offshore Steel Structures by a Metallurgical Method, by B. B. Morton, The International Nickel Co., Inc., New York, N. Y. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-32 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

STUDIES carried out over a long period of time indicate that three important zones of corrosion will exist upon an unprotected steel member standing in sea water and extending for a considerable distance above the sea. To economically protect such a steel structure over a long period of time, it would seem to require:

1 Cathodic protection with impressed current or galvanic anodes to protect the steel below the water level and up to the mid-tide area.

2 A resistant metal, as Monel (approx. 2/3 nickel, 1/3 copper); 70/30 copper-nickel or similar alloys, to cover the critical area from mid-tide to about 10 ft above. (Note: Only Monel used in these studies.)

3 Hot-dipped galvanizing, also painting, for the areas above the splash zone.

The Design of Offshore-Drilling Structures, by R. J. Howe, Shell Oil Company, Houston, Texas. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-19 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THIS paper is a condensation of part of the vast amount of published engineering information which applies to the design of offshore drilling and production structures. Owing to the rapid development within this field, the correlation between the theoretical and actual conditions has not been firmly established. However, additional experimental and operating information which will become available in the next few years should aid this problem considerably.

The wind and wave forces which act on offshore structures are described in detail together with the soil reactions which hold the structures in place. The internal effects such as deflections, stresses, and natural frequencies are also discussed for a number of special cases. In addition, methods for calculating the floating stability of mobile units are presented. A general classification of offshore structures is given to illustrate the relative advantages of certain general types of structures.

Development of a Rubber-Sealed Valve for Oil-Well Drilling, by L. H. Carr, Mem. ASME, Edward Valves, Inc., East Chicago, Ind. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-15 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

A NEW alloy-steel, gate-type valve of the rubber-sealed type that will withstand high-pressure abrasive fluids and insure dependable flow control in oil-drilling mud lines as well as other rigorous industrial services is described. This new valve is now being introduced to the industry after undergoing 21 months of field testing on rotary drilling rigs in Oklahoma, Texas, and Louisiana.

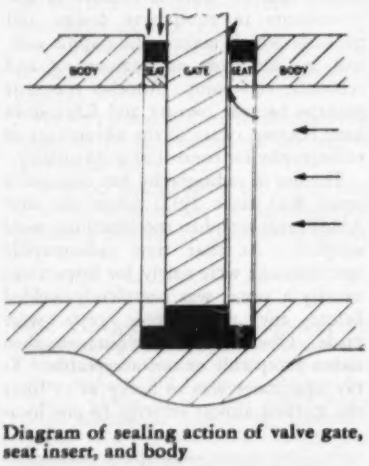


Diagram of sealing action of valve gate, seat insert, and body

Most valves users in this industry have found that they need valves with straight-through flow passages which can be repaired and maintained easily under field conditions. They also wish that the sealing action of valves in this type of service would be more or less automatic so that even if a valve is closed on foreign material or is difficult to operate, it will tend to seal itself shut and not permit damaging high-velocity flow as a result of the high pressure used in this service.

The principles of rubber sealing as developed by laboratory and field tests are outlined. The principal problems overcome were the destruction of the rubber under operation at high differential pressures and the reduction of operating torque to a point such that one man could easily operate the valve under any conditions.

Handling Viscous Crude Oils by Pipe Line, by Morgan Martin, Gulf Refining Company, Houston, Texas. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-10 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

CRUDE oils found in several of the fields of the state of Mississippi are very heavy and require heat for efficient moving by pipe line.

Baxterville oil is the heaviest of these oils and at 60 F has a viscosity of 17,400 SUS and a gravity of 16.4 API.

The first step in planning a pipe line to handle such a viscous oil is to have laboratory tests run on a sample at various temperatures in order to obtain viscosities and gravities to use in the formulas.

Additional information such as atmospheric temperatures, kind and conditions of soils through which the proposed pipe line will run, elevations along the route, are all needed, along with the viscosities and gravities, before proper design work can commence.

Calculations should be arranged in an orderly and systematic manner so ready reference can be made for the various factors shown.

The best-known data on handling heated oil in pipe lines is that found in a series of articles written by Fritz Karge, formerly chief engineer of an oil company in California.

Practical adaptation of the factors involved in the design of such a pipe line are discussed. A brief description of the mechanical equipment installed on the line is included. Operational checks are compared to the design calculations, and general observations on operations are included.

Economics and Operating Procedure of Crude-Oil Tank Mixers, by N. G. Wilson, Shell Pipe Line Corporation, Houston, Texas. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-34 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THIS paper presents the findings of two investigations concerning mechanical mixers for use in crude-oil tanks. It is divided into two parts, namely (1) economics and (2) operating procedure.

The section on economics discusses the feasibility of mixers from the viewpoint of both pipe-line and refinery operation with the conclusion that they are economically sound. The operating procedure section of the paper summarizes the results from field tests made to determine

preferable mixer operation methods for blending crudes to prevent in-tank stratification or to reduce stratification in standing storage. Operating suggestions are included.

Allowable Membrane Stresses for Welded Carbon-Steel Boilers and Pressure Vessels, by W. P. Kerkhof, Asiatic Petroleum Corporation, New York, N. Y. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. **54—PET-6** (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

IN THIS paper an attempt is made to find a logical compromise for the determination of the allowable maximum membrane stresses in a cylindrical shell of a boiler or pressure vessel. It is proposed that this allowable membrane stress be adopted as the base for all calculations. Stresses in other parts of the boiler or pressure vessel, for instance in domed ends, should be based on the same tabulated membrane stresses. In this case, however, the formulas should contain a special dimensionless factor which takes into account the stress raisers occurring. However, to avoid overcomplicating the considerations, these stress-concentration factors are not discussed.

Stresses From Local Loading in Cylindrical Pressure Vessels, by P. P. Bijlaard, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. **54—PET-7** (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

A SHORT discussion is given of the possible methods for computing the stresses caused in cylindrical shells by local loadings.

It is concluded that the method of developing the loads and displacements into double Fourier series leads to formulas which are best suited for numerical evaluation. With this method the pertinent expressions for the displacements caused by radial loads are found by reducing the three partial differential equations of the shell theory to an eighth-order differential equation in the radial displacements, which is similar to, but not identical with, those derived by Donnell and Yuan. Insertion of the Fourier series for the radial displacements and the external loading in this equation leads directly to a double-series expression of the radial displacement w n terms of the load factors Z_{mn} of the radial load. This results in the pertinent expressions for the other displacements and for the bending moments and membrane forces.

The cases of radial loading considered here and those which can be reduced to it, are (*a*) A load uniformly distributed within a rectangle, (*b*) a point load, (*c*) a moment in the longitudinal direction, uniformly distributed over a short distance in the circumferential direction, (*d*) a moment in the circumferential direction, uniformly distributed over a short distance in the longitudinal direction. For all these loadings the load factors Z_{mn}, which have to be used in the pertinent formulas for the displacements, bending moments, and membrane forces, are computed. For the case of tangential loading an eighth-order differential equation is derived in terms of the radial displacement and the tangential load. Using this equation, formulas for the displacements, bending moments, and membrane forces for tangential loading within a rectangle are found.

The Circular-Girder Four-Column Space Frame, by N. A. Weil, J. J. Murphy, Mem. ASME, P. C. Disario, and J. S. Podolan, The M. W. Kellogg Co., Jersey City, N. J. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. **54—PET-8** (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

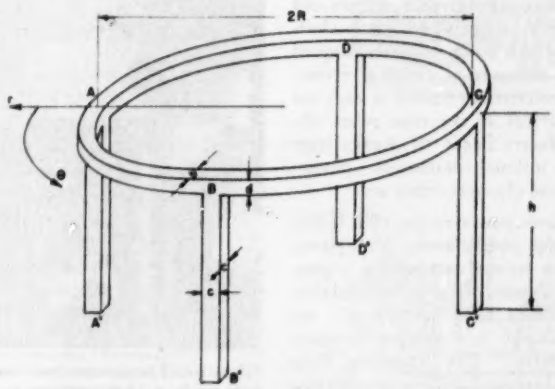
SPACE frames have an important function in industrial construction. They provide economic support at the desired elevation for structures, machinery, pressure vessels, tanks, buildings, or other equipment. In an ASCE paper entitled "The Octagonal Girder Four Column Space Frame," an original development is given by Disario, Podolan, and Weil for an octagonal ring girder supported on four columns. This was developed primarily for the support of vertical pressure vessels, tanks, or similar equipment, and for reinforced-concrete construction although not specifically limited to such. The authors demonstrated that, by their selection of the support points, torsional effects in the octagonal ring and bending moments in the columns are minimized which promotes economic design. That a circular pedestal would have similar benefits from an analytical standpoint is obvious; however, the authors of the present paper felt that an analysis of a circular pedestal which would parallel that of the octagonal pedestal would permit evaluation of their relative merits.

Accordingly, this paper presents the analysis of the circular pedestal and a comparison of results. The circular ring girder is supported on four columns located in mutually perpendicular planes, The structure may be loaded by a distributed vertical load, a concentrated horizontal shear force, or an overturning moment; the analysis includes the fixed or hinged-base conditions of the supporting columns.

The method of attack, mode of solution, and designation of forces and moments are identical with those used in the original paper on the octagonal pedestal. A polar co-ordinate system is used having its origin at the center of the circular girder; angles are positive in the counterclockwise direction and are numbered from the radius pointing to column A. The r-direction is always perpendicular to the circular girder, the θ-direction parallel to it; the positive sense of either direction follows from the definition of the co-ordinate system.

Principles of Duplex Slush-Pump Operation, by R. L. Walker, Shell Oil Company, Denver, Colo., and R. A. Tappmeyer, Shell Oil Company, Houston, Texas. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. **54—PET-16** (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THERE is evidence that the drilling industry as a whole is realizing that by increasing the hydraulic horsepower applied at the drill bit, higher penetration



General view of the four-column circular pedestal

rates and longer life will result. To accomplish this objective, Shell's Houston area for some time has applied the practice of high speed-high pressure parallel operation of medium-sized power slush pumps to depths of 10,000 ft. It is normal to expect, in any hydraulic system, that an increase in the magnitude and frequency of high-pressure impulses will be attended by increased maintenance and repair expense of the mud pumps and other components of the circulating system. Therefore comparable pump limitations may be experienced, and many of the cost and timesaving measures described may be necessary and have good application regardless of the pump operational method whereby the impulses are produced.

Always, heretofore, it has been said that parallel operation of mud pumps is limited to high volume-low pressure service. There is some gratification in that the time and costsaving measures adopted, and in some cases originated here, have made this a practical high volume-high pressure pumping technique. These corrective measures, along with an examination of the underlying cause of pump failures which have occurred, and our conclusions relative to the manner in which they may be minimized, or eliminated, are presented. A further objective of this paper is to examine other high volume-high pressure pumping techniques and to compare these with the parallel-pump method.

The Application of V-Belt Drives to Slush Pumps, by W. S. Worley, The Gates Rubber Company, Denver, Colo. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. **54—PET-28** (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

IMPROVED drilling practices have required a serious re-evaluation of the part to be played by the V-belt drive as the power transmission between engines and pump. The V-belt drive has many characteristics which make it ideally adapted to the requirements of drilling service. These characteristics resulted in wide use of V-belt drives at the time when the drilling industry began to change from steam to internal-combustion power. Some of these characteristics are:

1 The horsepower rating of a V-belt drive closely parallels the horsepower output of an internal-combustion engine.

2 The V-belt drive is dependable. Because it uses belts in multiple, the failure of a single belt does not incapacitate the drive. The remaining belts assume the load, and drilling can continue without costly interruption.

3 The V-belt drive is easy to erect and dismantle. It does not require precision alignment or adjustment.

4 The V-belt drive is clean. It requires no lubrication, no dressings, and no leakproof enclosures.

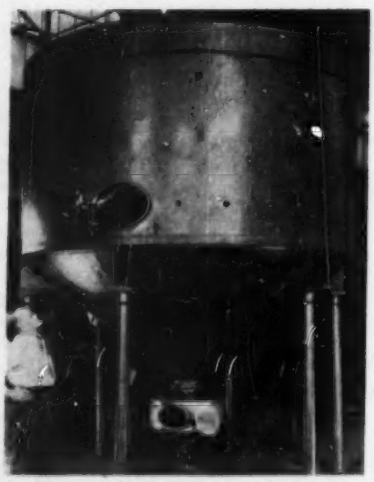
5 The V-belt drive requires little maintenance. Once the drive has been set up and the belts brought to operating tension, drive tension can be maintained with very few adjustments.

This paper discusses an improved approach to the problem of establishing engineering data for the application of V-belt drives for slush-pump service; presents the data which result from that approach; points out how the use of these data can result in space and cost savings on drives for current slush-pump requirements.

Glass Coating as a Corrosion Barrier, by W. A. Deringer, A. O. Smith Corp., Milwaukee, Wis. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. **54—PET-18** (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE chemical and physical properties of glass coatings are discussed. The problems involved in designing a product which is to be glass-coated are outlined. A number of applications of glass coatings to products are described where the glass coating is employed for functional rather than decorative reasons.

Glass coatings have a hardness of about 6.0 on the Moh's scale of hardness values. They have excellent resistance to rubbing abrasion but poor resistance to impact abrasion where the impact is by a hard substance. Porcelain enamels are so much better than organic coatings in rubbing abrasion, however, that the Taber abrader test must be modified if it is to be used to evaluate ceramic coatings.



Glass-lined tanks are used for storage of fatty acids, acid separation, fermentation, and many other like applications

Other physical properties of glass coatings follow:

1 They do not conduct electric current.

2 They have zero water absorption—which is a property that no organic coating has. Since they have no water absorption, glass coatings lend themselves extremely well to the use of cathodic protection.

3 Glass coatings will not burn or char.

4 The adherence of a glass coating to steel may be considered to be a physical property, but actually the bond is believed to be largely chemical in nature. The adhesion of glass to steel is in the range of 5000–10,000 psi.

5 Glass coatings are brittle and have little or no ductility, but it has been demonstrated that these coatings will not crack or break until the base metal to which they are applied is permanently deformed, i.e., taken past the yield point.

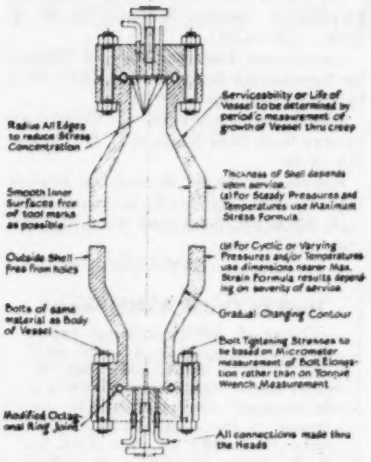
Glass coating is often selected as the corrosion barrier for steel for one of the following reasons: (1) Resistance to acid corrosion, (2) minimum adherence of product being processed, (3) absence of catalytic effect, (4) ease in cleaning, (5) flexibility of usage, and (6) economy.

A Look Ahead in Pressure-Vessel Design in the Petroleum Industry, by E. W. Jacobson, Mem. ASME, Gulf Research & Development Company, Pittsburgh, Pa. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. **54—PET-9** (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

CONTINUED intensive activity in the design and building of pressure vessels for the whole range of petroleum-processing plants both for refining of hydrocarbons and production of organic chemicals from hydrocarbons can be expected.

The solution of such vexing problems as the deterioration of steel in pressure-vessel shells from hydrogen penetration may be, partially at least, a chemical one. However, the cost of steel protection by mechanical means such as linings, etc., will need to be balanced against the cost of chemical control.

The processes carrying the major petroleum-refining burden are the low and medium-pressure ones for which pressure vessels can be designed under existing codes along well-established lines. Large size of vessels, such that field



Flanged vessel design for high-temperature, high-pressure reactor service

fabrication is required, makes weld stress-relieving and inspection in the field an increasing problem.

In the field of the high-pressure processes, as soon as safe pressure vessels can be provided at reasonable cost, processes involving higher and higher temperatures and pressures will be proposed, tried, and proved. Small vessels for pressures up to 50,000 psi and reasonably large vessels up to 15,000 psi have been designed. Temperature seems somewhat of a lesser problem since internal insulation and shell cooling have been used widely with success. Quite large vessels have been designed for operation at temperatures over 2000 F.

Forged construction using the new superalloys seems to offer the better hope for safe construction particularly since it is in the forging industry where adequate heating, handling, and heat-treatment facilities are more likely to be available. The need at present is for facilities to produce the larger superalloy ingots necessary to extend their use to pressure vessels. Full use of high-strength materials and enhancement of properties by heat-treatment seem to await further development of fabrication equipment and of techniques rather than in material research.

In the field of high-pressure and temperature design, general acceptance for code purposes of the present design concepts has long been delayed. Experience is being gained in several current installations of vessels both in England and this country wherein at the operating pressure the inner wall stress is close to the yield strength of the material and the calculated fracture strength is greater than one fourth the ultimate strength. The ASME Boiler Code and the ASA B-31 Piping Code now permit high steam-temperature piping designed to steady creep conditions. It is reported that the ASME Boiler Code Committee is now engaged in examining all the factors mentioned. In time, Code requirements will recognize design concepts currently being developed for high-pressure, high-temperature service.

Free-Piston Gas-Turbine Prime Mover, by R. P. Ramsey, The Cooper-Bessemer Corporation, Mount Vernon, Ohio. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering paper No. 54—PET-23 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE free-piston turbine combination consolidates the principle assets of the opposed piston combustion cylinder with the good points of the gas turbine canceling out a large number of the wearing parts such as the crankshaft and the connecting rods in converting linear motion to rotating motion.

Crankshaft engines have attained 40 per cent thermal efficiency. The all-rotating gas turbine with its complexities of intercooling, reheat and regeneration, and multiple components in high and low-pressure compressors with high and low-pressure turbines have not equaled the crankshaft-engine efficiency. The simple and inexpensive free-piston unit attains the lowest number of reciprocating and wearing parts and has the efficiency of the piston crankshaft-type engine together with the turbine as the driving medium.

It operates much as a steam plant with a turbine driving a load by pumping hot exhaust gas under pressure from one or more gas generators as boilers deliver their steam, but without the necessity for using an intermediate medium like steam between the source and the turbine. The free-piston turbine runs on the actual exhaust combustion gases without the heat having to pass into steam, which has to be superheated, condensed, and returned. The exhaust gases serve their purpose directly in the free-piston turbine where the network energy is extracted. There is heat remaining in the turbine exhaust which may be regained for auxiliary uses.

The greatest outstanding attribute of the free-piston engine is its essential simplicity. The elements of its design, which are attached to the free-piston principle, are absolutely trouble-free. For instance, the mechanism that keeps the pistons synchronized has never been known to give any trouble to any free-piston unit in service or on test. The pneumatic controls to regulate the stroke are taken from railroad freight-car braking systems and are simple and trouble-free.

Hydrogen Blisters in Gas Transmission Lines and Preventive Methods, by Felipe Paredes and W. W. Mize, El Paso Natural Gas Company, El Paso, Texas. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-27 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

EXPERIENCE with hydrogen blisters in a gas transmission line at low temperatures is presented. The mechanism of the blister formation, conditions necessary for hydrogen attack, experimental observations on solubility of hydrogen in

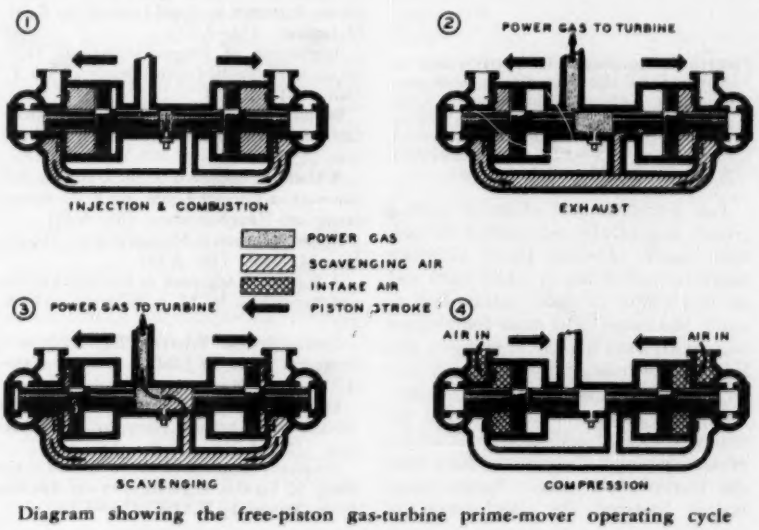


Diagram showing the free-piston gas-turbine prime-mover operating cycle

steel, diffusion rates of atomic hydrogen, and the methods of preventing attack are described.

Hydrogen blisters are of considerable academic interest and may result in expensive vessel or pipe failures. They have been successfully prevented in refineries by the use of polysulphide inhibitors and stainless-steel alloys. In a gas transmission line, they presented a new problem which was successsfully solved by the use of organic corrosion inhibitors.

Power Actuation of Flow Valves for Automation of Lease Operations, by A. A. Toben, Ledeen Manufacturing Company, Los Angeles, Calif. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-24 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE application of automatic controls and devices for improvement of oil-field production, dehydration, and shipping methods calls for use of a considerable number of remotely and automatically operated valves.

Better understanding of these power-operated valves and their controls may help considerably the progressive producers who are considering the use of automatic or even semiautomatic lease operating systems.

Industrial motor valves have a definite place in the design of automatic leases, but the use of power-operated, conventional flow valves will permit automation of many more production leases handling all sorts of crude oils.

Methods of power actuation of these flow valves, controls required, and selection of operating power constitute the main scope of this paper.

Electronic Automatic Control System as Applied to the Petroleum Industry, by Roger Gilliland, The Swartout Company, Alhambra, Calif. 1954 ASME Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference paper No. 54—PET-30 (multilithographed; available to July 1, 1955).

THE petroleum and chemical control picture is gradually eliminating the old-style locally mounted panels although many are still in use on older units and on new simple or small plants such as batch processes. The more complicated units with their higher throughputs and increased instrumentation require a centralized information center. Transmitter-receiver designs were developed for remotely located operation to eliminate pressure piping and dangerous fluids from the control-room area. Larger panel boards hastened the development of miniature instrumentation, now widely accepted.

The electronic systems available are similar in appearance to the pneumatic type. A complete system has a transmitter located at the point of measurement, a recorder, controller, and manual panel in the control room which is probably at a remote location and an electropneumatic transducer at the final control element. All transmission is accomplished instantaneously in the form of electrical quantities just as though each independent recording-controlling system were field mounted.

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Hydraulic Transmissions for Locomotives

Comment by H. L. Decker[1]

IN REVIEWING this very able paper,[2] we find some interesting comparisons between the torque-converter and electrical drive. The conclusion is that a locomotive using a torque-converter transmission can be developed for main-line freight and passenger service on our railroads and have substantially the same operating characteristics for tractive effort and dynamic braking as diesels with electric drive with some slight loss in fuel economy, so slight perhaps that it will not be noticeable.

On the assumption that the performance and efficiency of the torque-converter locomotive will be substantially the same as the diesel-electric we must then look to what equipment we can take off the one and what we must put on the other to justify the change, and of course what they look like from a maintenance standpoint. It is expected that the equipment generally will be the same for both locomotives at the output flange of the diesel engine and to this point from a cost and maintenance point they are equal.

The hydraulic-drive locomotive substitutes a torque converter, speed-changing gears and clutches, drive shafts with universal and spline connections, final gear drives at the axles, for the generator, electric controls, traction motors, and final gear drives on the diesel-electric. With a six-year life for main generators between major overhauls and about 18 months or 300,000 miles for traction motors, it will be seen that the hydraulic-drive-locomotive parts are up against stiff competition.

The substitution of a direct gear drive for electric drive also presents an interesting problem in wheel work. As pointed out by the author, whatever the gear assembly used it must be competitive with the conventional electric-motor drive and wheel arrangement in ease of dropping wheels for turning and other maintenance. The author points out that wheels mechanically connected must be matched within $^1/_{32}$ in. for a 36-in. wheel. This presents a maintenance problem but the mechanical drive does have the advantage of all wheels being tied together and slipping should be reduced over the electric drive where each axle is driven independently. The maintenance of the multiplicity of drive shafts and universal joints may well be more than an electric drive with its simple spur-gear driving system.

The steady development of traction motors, particularly in improvements in insulation, has resulted in motors which can develop maximum power without time or speed restrictions. This approaches the performance of a torque-converter drive.

With a locomotive which must be equipped with dynamic braking it appears that electric drive has a definite edge. In this case the traction motors are used as generators and the power output is dissipated in resistance. With a hydraulic drive, hydraulic brakes must be provided and equipped with a clutching mechanism to engage or disengage them as required. Provisions for dissipating the heat generated must be supplied.

With equal efficiency for electric and hydraulic drives, acceptance of the hydraulic drive will rest on the ability of the gear-change and transmission units to give equivalent trouble-free service as compared with electric drives. The writer would expect that a hydraulic locomotive of the switcher type with a minimum of gear changes, in the 400 to 1200-hp range, designed for single-unit operation and without dynamic brakes will compete most successfully with a diesel-electric, both in first cost and maintenancewise. MU control, dynamic brakes, and the gearing complications of hydraulic locomotives used in main-line service lead the writer to think that we should learn to walk with the comparatively simple switcher before we try to run with a road locomotive.

The author is to be congratulated for his paper, outlining in such a clear manner the requirements for a hydraulic-drive locomotive. His analysis and charts of the comparison of electric and hydraulic-drive performances are particularly valuable in showing how closely the two types of drive can be matched.

Comment by W. F. Dadd[3]

The author's comparison of the operating efficiency of the hydraulic drive against that of the electric transmission indicates the hydraulic transmission could be used efficiently for heavier-type diesel locomotives.

The application of hydraulic drive to heavier-type diesel power should be made on new locomotives designed primarily for this type drive. The construction of present road diesel locomotives would not lend itself readily to this drive without considerable cost for modifications. Construction of trucks, clearance of body to truck, and location of engine to heavy cross members are the major conversions which have to be made.

The advantages to be gained by hydraulic transmission are basically the removal of heavy electrical transmission and subsequent control apparatus. This equipment would be replaced by starter motor, mechanical, or auxiliary-drive cooling fans, torque converter, drive-transmission shaft, and axle gear drives. The life of torque-converter and axle gear drives is questionable as compared to present generator and traction-motor life. Considerably more possibility of major failure would be present through trouble with any of the parts of the hydraulic-mechanical drive. Inspection of internal moving parts of these drives would be difficult and they could not be tested easily to assure good performance in service. The moving, flexible-drive connections under a locomotive would be subjected to heavy wear as a result of road dirt and it would be difficult to lubricate them properly. If covered and sealed to overcome this condition, they could not be inspected easily and would add to the failure hazard of the hydraulic transmission.

The use of several gear-drive ratios and clutches for speed-load efficiency would require clutch replacement and add to the possibility of drive failure. Any trouble

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[2] "Hydraulic Torque-Converter Transmissions for Locomotives," by J. S. Newton, MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, June, 1954, vol. 76, pp. 497–499.

[3] Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, Baltimore, Md.

experienced with this drive, in changing gear ratio, could result in retarding locomotive speed and bucking of other units unless the drive unit giving trouble were disengaged.

The use of a hydraulic transmission would require a very close limit in variation of wheel diameters. The limits allowed would be difficult to maintain and if operated beyond the allowed variation would result in reduction of drive efficiency. A considerably larger wheel pool would be required to maintain this minimum variation as compared to the number required at present.

The foregoing exceptions are not meant to indicate that railroads are not interested in hydraulic transmission for heavy-type power. Any good transmission which can reduce maintenance, plus original investment, will be welcomed by railroads, provided flexibility and interchangeability of parts are not affected adversely.

Considerable thought must be given to the possibility of conversion of existing power to the hydraulic transmission at the time a locomotive requires heavy repairs and parts replacement. The type drive shown in Fig. 12 of the paper does not appear to be easily adaptable to present units without major body and truck changes.

The present investment of the railroads in electric-transmission equipment requires that major consideration be given to improving the performance of this equipment rather than to replace it with a new-type drive. The present electrical control and drive have been largely responsible for the successful handling of railroad equipment by diesel-electric locomotives.

Considerable savings have been realized on locomotive maintenance with this type locomotive and a major improvement would be necessary before railroads could consider any radical departure from either the diesel engine or the electrical transmission.

Comment by R. Eksergian[4]

This paper is a mature and valuable contribution. The specifications listed are particularly important to note. Item 1, on most torque-converter applications to railway service, has been sadly neglected and, without gear changes, using the torque converter through an extended speed range, has resulted in a performance decidedly inferior to the electric drive. The Mehydro drive, using a torque converter with multiple gear changes, is shown to approach the output characteristics of modern electric transmission.

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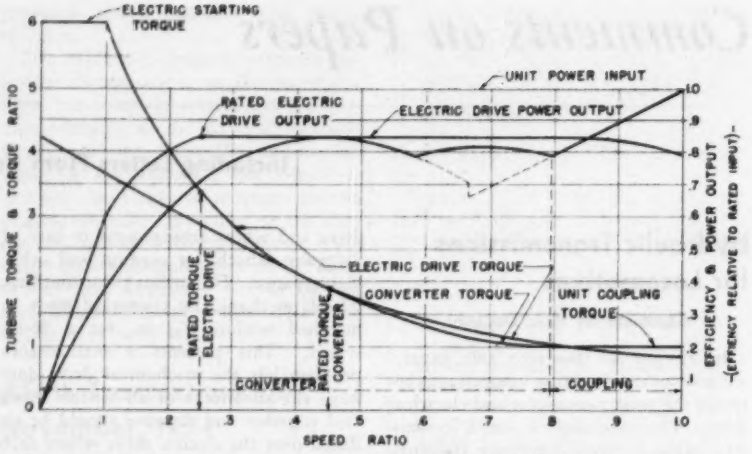

Fig. 1 Comparison of power and torque-output characteristics of torque-converter drive and electric drive

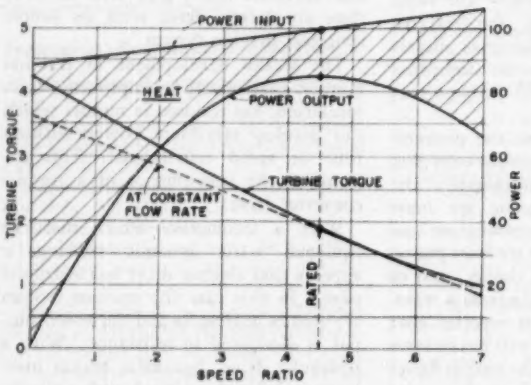

Fig. 2 Output characteristics of torque converter-constant input torque

It is important to point out the necessity of gear-speed changes, in torque-converter applications for locomotives and also with many rail-car applications. Any turbine, with variable speed and constant flow rate, develops a torque dropping off with speed resulting, in turn, in a parabolic output curve. The writer has established an energy-circulating flow balance,[5] which accounted for the losses, and showed the flow rate to increase at low and overspeeds (particularly for the former) relative to the optimum flow rate at maximum efficiency. By reducing the shock losses, at unfavorable blading speeds, it is possible to improve the output curve from that of the parabolic curve in the lower speed ranges. With a split free-wheeling reaction blading, further improvements in the form of a more favorable output curve can be obtained. However, at best, improvements along these lines cannot substitute the necessity of dividing the torque-converter output into speed ranges through gear changes, as shown by the author's Figs. 8, 9, and 10.

Fig. 1 of this comment shows the application of the torque converter, with free-wheeling reaction blading assimilating a clutch into direct drive at top speeds. A comparison of an electric drive also is shown. The performance falls far short of the electric drive, particularly in the low-speed range.

Fig. 2 shows a constant-torque power input (the input increasing slightly with output speed). The output curve is approximately parabolic. The losses are crosshatched. It is evident that this drive applied to a locomotive will result in a considerable heating of the fluid, particularly with heavy drags on grades, when the optimum speed cannot be reached. With a rail car, only by the use of a high power-weight ratio, is it possible to operate above the optimum speed ratio. Reducing the power-weight ratio, as by pulling a trailer, or in applications without trailer, where with frequent stops it is necessary to operate more in the low-speed acceleration zone, will very likely cause overheating and thus limit

[5] "The Torque Converter and Fluid Coupling," by R. Eksergian, *Journal of The Franklin Institute*, vol. 235, 1943, pp. 441–478.

the capacity of the transmission for this type of service. Even more important, the output is greatly reduced, resulting in a sluggish performance compared with that of the electric drive for the same power-weight ratio. Moreover, this very feature permits a lower electric-drive power-weight ratio than for the single-gear range, torque-converter drive.

Fig. 3, herewith, shows the immediate advantage even with a two-speed torque-converter transmission. Since the ratio of starting torque to output torque at maximum efficiency, i.e., at crest of output curve, is fixed around 2.3:1, the starting tractive force can be increased only by reducing the starting-speed range. More important, the losses are inherently cut down while the power output is considerably improved in the low-speed ranges, thus permitting the pulling of trailers with single rail cars, or increasing the acceleration performance with frequent stops.

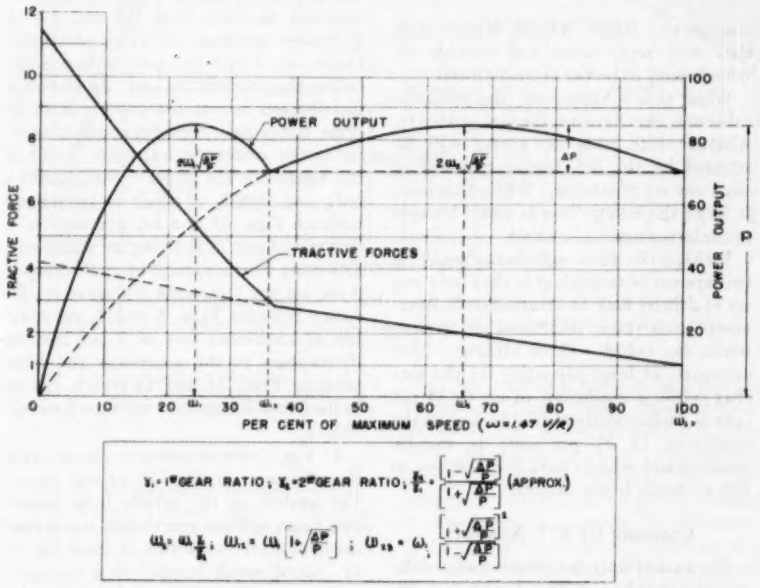

Fig. 3 Output characteristics of two-speed torque-converter transmission

To compete with the electric transmission in performance, in locomotive applications, the author points out that full output power must be obtained for a wide speed range, limiting the starting-speed range from 0.125 to 0.2 of the maximum operating speed. Since, in a speed range the output power varies approximately as a parabolic curve, the drop in power at a gear change, relative to its maximum value, must be limited. The allowable drop in power, or the minimum efficiency at a gear change, in turn, sets the speed range for a particular gear shift. The speed range itself increases with the gear shifts at the higher speeds.

While the starting-gear shift can be placed so that maximum power will be realized at a very low speed, the input power at the very start or rather the engine torque times its speed must be reduced to prevent slippage at the drivers. This, in turn, might require additional control apparatus. To prevent wheel slippage for normal operation, i.e., without reduced power, the first gear shift is better determined by the characteristics of the converter and the limiting rail adhesion.

Let ϕ = speed ratio at which maximum output is obtained. If V_m = maximum operating speed range, then assuming 0.92 transmission and 0.85 converter efficiency, the rated tractive force in terms of engine input P_E is

$$Z_R = \frac{0.92 \times 0.85 \times 375}{\phi V_m} P_E \quad \ldots [1]$$

The starting tractive force is $Z_s = 2.3 Z_R$. If we limit this value to the adhesion tractive μW then

$$Z_s = \frac{675}{\phi V_m} P_E \leq \mu W \quad \ldots [2]$$

hence

$$\phi = \frac{675}{\mu V_m}\left(\frac{P_E}{W}\right) \quad \ldots [3]$$

where W/P_E is the weight of the locomotive per engine horsepower.

With $W/P_E = 250$ (or 200 lb per rail hp) $\mu = 0.25$, then

$$\phi = \frac{675}{0.25 \times 250\, V_m} = \frac{10.8}{V_m} \quad \ldots [4]$$

Thus at 70-mph speed range, the first speed range would be around $\theta = 0.15$. This checks with the author's value of 0.125 to 0.2.

For any subsequent speed range it can be shown for a parabolic output power curve that

$$\Delta V = 2V_1\sqrt{\frac{\Delta P}{P}} \quad \ldots [5]$$

where ΔP = allowable drop in power, P is the peak power, and V_1 is the mean velocity in a speed range. For instance, referring to the author's Fig. 9, for the mean speed $V_1 = 30$ mph, assuming a drop in converter efficiency from 0.85 to 0.79 then

$$\frac{\Delta P}{P} = \frac{0.85 - 0.79}{0.85} = 0.07, \text{ then } \Delta V = 16$$

With $V_1 = 20$, $\Delta V = 10.6$ mph. These check closely with the author's values shown in Fig. 9 of the paper.

With a fluid coupling, the speed range, as limited by power drop is, assuming constant engine torque

$$\Delta V = V_1 \frac{\Delta P}{P} \quad \ldots [6]$$

The efficiency of the coupling operates at 0.96 so that a drop to 0.79 efficiency permits a power drop $\Delta P = 0.17\,P$ while $P = 0.96$, $\Delta P/P = 0.18$, hence with $V_1 = 30$, $\Delta V = 5.4$, and $V_1 = 20$, $\Delta V = 3.6$.

These values point to full agreement with the author's conclusion as to the outstanding gear reduction effected by the converter as compared with that of the coupling for a limited power drop.

It is important to point out, however, that with a drooping engine torque against speed, the speed range of the coupling can be increased considerably, thus making gear shifts with coupling more favorable. In fact, the engine curve, to a certain extent, then replaces the effect of torque amplification in the converter.

A slippage clutch with a gear change can be operated in two ways: (*a*) With a gear change the engine speed can be maintained constant resulting in slippage of the clutch. The maximum power loss is then proportional to the maximum slippage at the beginning of a gear shift. (*b*) The engine speed can be braked down by the clutch at a gear change, so that in the subsequent speed range the engine accelerates with the locomotive. The maximum power loss then corresponds to the drop in power obtained from the power-speed characteristics of the engine.

With constant engine torque the power output is the same for either case. With a drooping engine-torque curve against speed, the power loss is reduced in the second case. The torque converter, through its reaction blading, also augments the torque when the output speed is reduced at the beginning of a gear shift. Thus the power loss at reduced speed is decreased. Actually, the torque-converter speed range straddles the peak or crest of its output-power curve. The drop in output power is the same at the beginning of a gear change as at the end, either being reduced relative to its peak output.

Comment by F. P. Gooch[6]

On the relative size of drivers the author brings up a point about which very little has been written and apparently is little understood. The identical case comes up in metal-forming machinery when two or more rolls are in contact with the same workpiece. The fact that the rolls are not exactly the same diameter causes a differential-gear action which puts the workpiece in tension or compression depending on the direction of motion.

As applied to a locomotive, the simplest case consists of two sets of drivers mechanically connected so as to have the same angular velocity. Let A be the wheel of the larger radius and B the smaller radius. Now if the author's figure of 0.1 per cent is taken as the possible difference in radius, each revolution of the wheels will roll up approximately $\frac{1}{3}$ in. of rail between the points of contact of A and B. At least this is what would happen if no slipping occurred to relieve it. Actually, either B slides forward to make up the difference in circumference or A slides backward. It is easily shown why the larger wheel always does the sliding.

In Fig. 4 let the total drawbar pull be T and let $T/2$ act at each axle.

Suppose that the larger wheel A rolls without sliding and the differential slip all occur at the point of contact of B. Then a friction force $\mu(w/2)$ will be directed to the rear or opposite to the direction of motion. The total force to the rear will be $2\,(T/2) + \mu\,(w/2)$ and the total force forward will be $\mu(w/2)$. This would result in the two wheel frictions canceling and leaving nothing for tractive effort.

The only situation compatible with the facts is for the larger wheel to slip so that both friction forces are directed forward or in the direction of motion and, assuming no acceleration of the locomotive, are equal to the drawbar pull. Since it is always the larger wheels which slide they will wear faster and in time all wheels tend to be the same diameter.

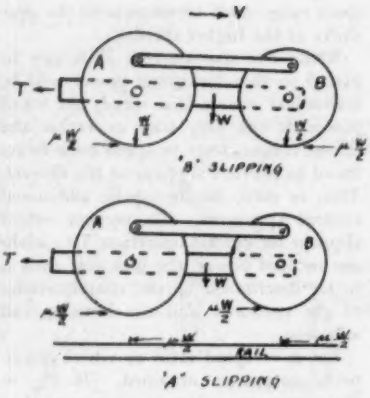

Fig. 4

While this is happening, the mechanical connection between the sets of drivers, whether side rods or gears, will be stressed by the full torque required to slide one set of wheels. While this force is large the energy loss is small because the relative motion is small.

Perhaps the most significant result of this system of mechanics is that only one set of drivers may be assumed to be operating with static coefficient of friction while the other will be sliding. This accounts, at least partially, for the fact that while a coefficient of up to 35 per cent is theroetically available, a working coefficient of 25 per cent is usually assumed and wheels have been known to slip at much lower factors.

Comment by R. T. Sawyer[7]

The author does not mention any of the troubles that have occurred with the various types of power which he describes. It is common knowledge that there are certain definite transmission troubles following a torque converter. In other words, the torque converter itself is not giving any appreciable trouble.

There are various ways of building the hydraulic-drive locomotive, two of which are shown in Fig. 12 of the paper. The author does not state how the mechanical-drive locomotive is built which produces the theoretical curves given in Fig. 8 or Fig. 9.

The writer will present a few comparisons on which the author's comment is requested.

1 Fig. 8 of the paper refers to a rail car, or so it is assumed, since Fig. 5 of this comment is similar at full load. The Maybach people make the statement that Fig. 5 is correct and Fig 6 of this comment is incorrect.

2 Fig. 6, herewith, is similar to Figs. 9 and 10 of the paper and the writer agrees with the author's statement that Fig. 9 is more suited for locomotive service than Fig. 8 because it gives better acceleration and a better over-all range of efficiency.

3 The difference in the efficiency shown in Figs. 5 and 6, herewith, Fig. 6 being the same as Fig. 10 of the paper, is about 3 per cent and must account for the axle drive shown in Fig. 14. In other words, the efficiency in Fig. 5 of this comment covers the box shown in Fig. 13 only; that is, there is no gearing between Figs. 13 and 14. If gearing is introduced between Figs. 13 and 14, it generally consists of two additional boxes, one a box to lower a drive shaft below the underframe and the second a distribution box at the truck. Both of these boxes have been disregarded, in so far as the writer can determine, in all of the figures in the paper. Furthermore, only one length of shaft is considered between Figs. 13 and 14, and for every universal joint in shafting an additional loss must be accounted for. Therefore, if we use the 3 per cent difference in efficiency between Figs. 5 and 6, we must add an additional loss of 8 per cent or thereabouts in the gearboxes and drive between Figs. 13 and 14 which has to be used on a locomotive with two swivel trucks.

4 Fig. 7 of this comment checks with the efficiency of Fig. 10 of the paper. The author of the article from which this figure is taken specifically states that the final drive to the axle is from Fig. 13 to "spiral tooth bevels" in a cast-steel casing, which indicates this is fundamentally suited for rail-car service and not a locomotive with two four-wheel swivel trucks.

5 Note the smooth curve in Fig. 7, herewith, in that it looks very similar to Fig. 3 of the paper. The writer also has checked Fig. 9 and plotted its tractive-effort curve on Fig. 3 and finds that it follows practically the bottom curve of Fig. 3. In other words, we can match the efficiency of an electric transmission by using a hydraulic torque converter, a simple gearbox, and a final drive as shown in Figs. 13 and 14. However, we definitely cannot match the electric transmission if the hydraulic-drive locomotive has the same swivel trucks and engine above the frame as in the diesel-electric locomotive unless we take an additional loss of 8 or even 12 per cent, say an average of 10 per cent, to account for the extra gearboxes, shafting, etc., required.

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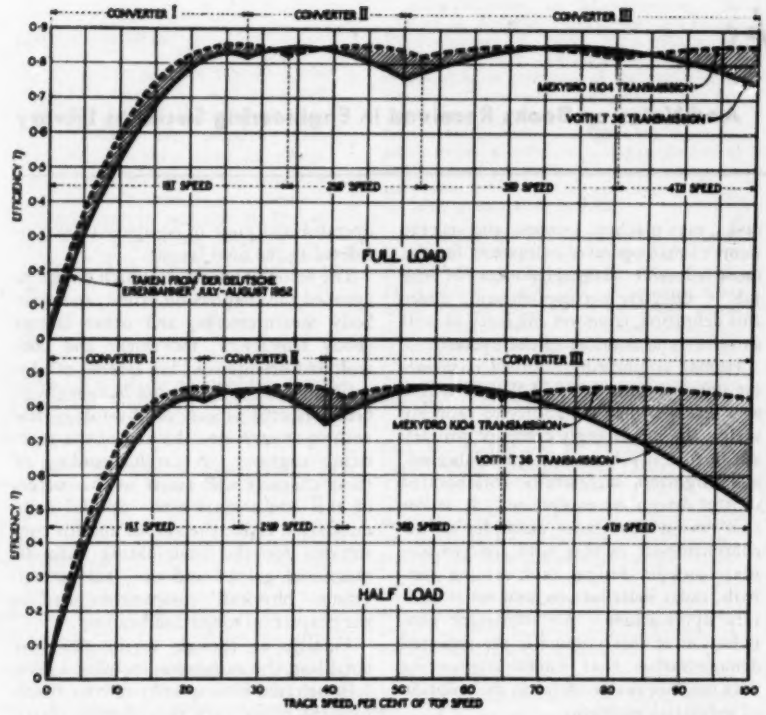

Fig. 5 Efficiency curve of Voith T-36 and Mekydro K-104 drive
(*Diesel Railway Traction*, January, 1953, from a letter signed by Maybach-Motorenbau, G.M.B.H.)

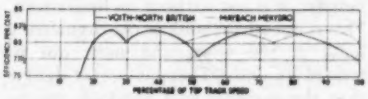

Fig. 6 Comparative efficiency curve
(*Diesel Railway Traction*, August, 1952, from article entitled, "A Survey of Transmission Systems.")

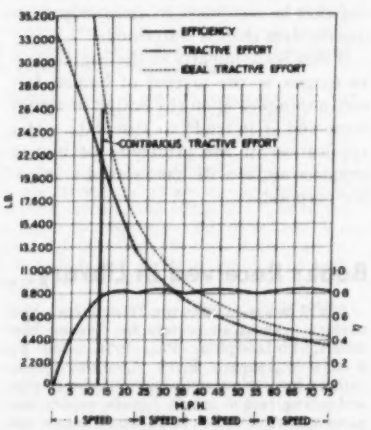

Fig. 7 Efficiency and tractive-effort curves of the K-104 Model 1000-hp transmission
(Available power after deducting auxiliaries is 940 hp which is the "ideal" curve shown with 100 per cent efficiency.)

6 The author's analysis of efficiency at lighter loads looks reasonable as shown in Fig. 10, which does not agree with the writer's Fig. 5. Particularly note in both Fig. 10 and Fig. 5 the part load moves to the left but in Fig. 5 there is absolutely no change in efficiency. One of these two curves is incorrect and the writer requests the author's explanation.

Author's Closure

The comments of Mr. Decker and Mr. Dadd from a practical and operating point of view are significant. Because of the know-how and the experience accumulated on electric transmissions, and the relative number of parts, it is to be expected that a hydraulic transmission for road locomotives for service in this country will find the competition of the electric transmission very good indeed. This is particularly true when the equivalent of dynamic braking for a hydraulic transmission is included. Mr. Dadd has raised the question of the possibility of converting the existing electric transmissions to hydraulic transmissions at the time a locomotive requires heavy repairs. From the studies it appears that the required modifications to existing locomotives are of such magnitude that it would not be economically wise to consider conversion. It would be far simpler and cheaper to produce a new locomotive than to modify existing ones.

The author is indebted to Mr. Eksergian for his comments and mathematical analysis on a torque converter versus a hydraulic coupling. While it is true that some change in engine speed is practicable at constant horsepower, it is believed that in adapting a hydraulic coupling, either the engine would have to be substantially larger, or the transmission would have to have substantially increased speed ratios as compared with a torque-converter drive for heavy-duty locomotive service.

The explanation on the effect of rigidly coupling wheels of different diameters, as explained by Mr. Gooch, is much appreciated. This has been a matter of considerable concern not only to the designer, but also to operating people. Appreciable development monies have been spent for both full scale and model tests in obtaining factual information. The theoretical explanation, simply stated, agrees with the test results.

Mr. Sawyer has requested the author's comments on some comparisons:

1 Fig. 8 of the paper could apply to either a rail car or to a locomotive. It was included to show the horsepower-speed relationship for four different gear ratios.

2 In the comments on efficiency, Mr. Sawyer concludes that the hydraulic drive locomotive with swivel trucks and engine above the frame will be approximately 10 per cent poorer in efficiency than the electric transmission. It is believed, as stated in the paper, that with a proper type of torque converter and a proper combination of gearing, the *practical operating efficiencies* of the two types of drive will be very little different. Or, stated another way, using the same diesel engine in two different locomotives, one designed for an electric transmission and the other designed for a hydraulic transmission, the fuel consumed in service in doing the same amount of work will be practically the same.

3 With regard to change in efficiency at lighter loads, it is believed that the general relationship as shown in Fig. 10 of the author's paper is correct. This is due to two effects; first, the mechanical losses at light loads become a greater percentage of the power transmitted, and second, the torque-converter-efficiency changes, generally in a downward direction, as the load is reduced.

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Reviews of Books

And Notes on Books Received in Engineering Societies Library

Field Practice

FIELD PRACTICE (vol. 3 of DATA BOOK FOR CIVIL ENGINEERS). By Elwyn E. Seelye. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, N. Y.; Chapman & Hall, Ltd., London, England, second edition, 1954. Cloth, $4^3/_4 \times 8$ in., figs., tables, index, xvii and 394 pp., $7.50.

Reviewed by George R. Rich[1]

IN the second edition of volume 3 of this outstanding series, the objectives of the author have been extended to provide a higher degree of background knowledge. The additional features include: (1) Practical methods of field erection including descriptions of modern equipment; (2) defects in brick masonry; (3) corrosion of metals; (4) surveying; and (5) soil mechanics.

The section on soil mechanics is a clear exposition of the fundamental concepts needed by every engineer without clouding the treatment with technical refinements that are of interest only to soils specialists. The pages on field erection and construction equipment afford a condensed yet comprehensive perspective of the range and scope of modern mechanized operation in the field. In view of the current widespread difficulty in obtaining satisfactory brick masonry, the information on this phase of building construction is particularly timely. The revised edition of "Field Practice" will be found invaluable not only to the "civil-engineering inspector who aspires to be classed as a modern engineer" but also to the office designer as a condensed ready reference on field inspection and construction.

Human Engineering

HUMAN ENGINEERING GUIDE FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGNERS. By Wesley E. Woodson. University of California Press, Berkeley, Calif., 1954. Paper, $8 \times 10^1/_2$ in., figs., bibliography, reference library, subject index, six chapters, $3.50.

Reviewed by Donald M. Ross[2]

HUMAN ENGINEERING is defined in this volume as ". . . the design of human tasks, man-machine systems, and specific items of man-operated equipment for the most effective accomplishment of the job." Effective accomplishment, under this definition, connotes efficiency as well as safety and comfort of the operator.

Human engineering received its greatest impetus during World War II when, as a result of man's inability to properly utilize the increasingly complex military apparatus, psychologists, physiologists, and engineers successfully collaborated in the design of equipment. It is for this reason that most examples of accomplishment in this field concern airplane-cockpit design, tank-driving controls, radar installations, and other military applications. An important contribution of this volume is the repeated demonstration that human-engineering data can be equally useful in the solution of industrial problems.

The major problem confronting the author of any handbook, guide, or manual of human-engineering information for engineers is the sifting of literally thousands of experimental reports from all of the scientific disciplines which impinge on this new field—psychology, physiology, engineering, anthropometry, anatomy, physics, medicine, and mathematics among others—and their translation into terms for direct engineering application. The author has dealt with this problem in an effective manner by fortunate choices of examples, excellent illustrations and graphs, and the liberal use of mechanical and physical analogies.

In the manner of subject treatment the book may be roughly divided into two parts. The first section, comprised solely of chapter 1, entitled "Design of Equipment and Work Space," sets forth specific design practices for both equipment and the working environment. Here the conclusions gleaned from hundreds of individual studies of visual display, aural equipment, control design, panel layout, illumination, acoustics, and the like, are set down, usually with little verbal description but with superlative illustrations. Attention is especially directed to the simplified presentation of link analysis, the psychologist's tool for optimizing equipment arrangement whereby the frequency and importance of visual, auditory, and control links between each operator and piece of equipment are considered in the final layout.

The second section, in which might be grouped the chapters on vision, audition, body measurements, and other factors (body sensitivity, movement and control, and orientation) are largely of educational value. The author has sought to bring selected aspects of physiology and anthropometry into the ken of the practicing engineer. A careful reading of these chapters will attest to the success of this educational aim. Special commendation is due the author and his consultants for the illuminating three-dimensional graphs and the "subjective" versus "physical" comparisons used in the chapter on sound and hearing.

Finally, as though saving the best until last, the author has included a carefully selected bibliography of over three-hundred items, each thoughtfully classified according to subject matter.

Despite the over-all favorable appearance and content of this much-needed volume, it is not without its limitations. This is not a handbook in the engineering sense of the word and must not be treated as one. There is a real danger that the engineer will overlook the repeated statements that certain values are tentative or that certain dimensions are only recommended and subject to considerable variation in individual cases and that he will place more confidence in specific data than is warranted.

If this book imparts to the engineer an awareness of the myriad of human factors impinging upon the design of equipment and if it tends to stimulate wider application of the principles of human engineering, it will have served a valuable purpose.

Books Received in Library...

ASTM SPECIFICATIONS FOR STEEL PIPING MATERIALS. American Society for Testing Materials, Philadelphia, Pa., 1954. 360 p., 9×6 in., paper. $3.75. Contains specifications for carbon-steel and alloy-steel pipe and tubing used to convey liquids, vapors, and gases at normal and elevated temperatures, and for tubes for refinery stills, heat exchangers, and condensers; and boilers and superheaters. Specifications for castings, forgings, bolts, and nuts used in pipe installations are also included.

ASTM STANDARDS ON PLASTICS. American Society for Testing Materials, Philadelphia,

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ELECTRIC POWER STATIONS, Volume 1. By R. H. Carr. Chapman & Hall Ltd., London, England, fourth edition, 1954. 605 p., 8¾ × 5¾ in., bound. 70s. This book deals with general principles governing design, construction, and operation. The major topics discussed are fundamentals of station design; sites and buildings; circulating-water systems; cooling towers; coal-handling plant; ash-handling plant; boiler plant; pipework; and turbines. There are chapter bibliographies.

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MEAN ROUGHNESS COEFFICIENT IN OPEN CHANNELS WITH DIFFERENT ROUGHNESS OF BED AND SIDE WALLS. (Mitteilungen aus der Versuchsanstalt für Wasserbau und Erdbau an der E.T.Z., no. 27.) By Ahmed M. Yassin. Verlag Leemann, Zürich, Switzerland, 90 p., 8⅜ × 6½ in., paper. 9.90 Sw.fr. Records experiments with three channels of different shapes and roughnesses, made to verify the H. A. Einstein equation for the mean-roughness coefficient or to find another equation of sufficient accuracy for field and laboratory experiments. Also considered is the problem of determining shearing stress on side walls and bed from the velocity distribution.

METAL STATISTICS 1954. American Metal Market, New York, N. Y., forty-seventh annual edition, 1954. 848 p., 6¼ × 4 in., bound. $3. This forty-seventh annual edition of a well-known compilation includes information similar to that of previous issues—historical and current statistics on ferrous and nonferrous metals and on related subjects such as coal and automobile production, building contract awards, and railways. Production, stocks, imports and exports, price averages, and miscellaneous economic information are given.

METALS HANDBOOK, 1954 Supplement. Edited by Taylor Lyman. American Society for Metals, Cleveland, Ohio, 1954. 184 p., 11 × 8½ in., bound. $5. In this first supplement new material is provided in fields in which the greatest advances have been made since the publication of the 1948 edition. Latest information on metals, alloys, and processes is compiled in twenty-four sections dealing with the selection of materials for various applications, design considerations, processing, and testing. Selected bibliographies are included in some sections.

MODERN DEVELOPMENTS IN FLUID DYNAMICS—HIGH SPEED FLOW. Edited by L. Howarth. Oxford University Press, New York, N. Y., 1953. Two volumes, 9½ × 6½ in., bound. Two volumes, $13.40. This is a comprehensive study of the flow of fluids, usually gases, at such high speeds that the effect of compressibility can no longer be neglected. Separate chapters prepared by various authors cover equations of flow, shock and blast waves, one-dimensional flow, experimental methods, heat transfer, and other phases of the subject. Some chapters include lists of references.

NUCLEAR REACTORS FOR INDUSTRY AND UNIVERSITIES. Edited by Ernest H. Wakefield. Instruments Publishing Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., 1954. 93 p., 8¼ × 5½ in., bound. $2. This book is a practical guide for those who wish to install a small research reactor. Eight authorities contribute chapters on the nature of nuclear energy, advantages of installing, types of radiation, control problems, prevention of radiation injury, and cost and legal factors. The cost study includes building, laboratory, and research expenses, but excludes fuel cost which is classified information.

NUMERICAL ANALYSIS. By D. R. Hartree. Oxford University Press, New York, N. Y., 1952. 287 p., 9½ × 6¼ in., bound. $4.80. A logical treatment of algebraic and analytical processes for getting certain numerical results from certain given data. Skipping the elementary arithmetical operations but avoiding the higher analytical procedures, the book keeps to the middle ground useful to engineers and research workers; methods for checking accuracy of results are provided, and there is a final chapter on organization of calculations for automatic digital calculators.

PLANT ENGINEER'S EASY PROBLEM SOLVER. By Louis J. Murphy. Conover-Mast Publications, Inc., New York, N. Y., 1954. 355 p., 9½ × 6 in., bound. $6. A manual providing numerous charts and nomograms with a minimum of text, for the solution of practical problems met in industry. Problems are considered in fifteen categories, including metalworking, refrigeration, piping, mechanical-power transmission, industrial-waste treatment, plant maintenance, etc. The charts have been kept as single as possible (the majority require only one solution line) and results are, in general, as accurate as those from a slide rule.

PLASTICS ENGINEERING HANDBOOK. The Society of Plastics Industry, Inc. Reinhold Publishing Corporation, New York, N. Y., 1954. 813 p., 9¼ × 6¼ in., bound. $15. This five-part compilation of the latest knowledge on the processing of plastics, covers ma-

terial and processes, design, finishing and assembly, testing, and standards. Roughly half the book discusses processes—molding, preforming, extruding, drawing, casting, embedding, etc. Includes about fifty per cent more material than the original 1947 edition.

PRINCIPLES OF MASS AND FLOW PRODUCTION. By Frank G. Woollard. Published for *Mechanical Handling* by Iliffe & Sons, Ltd., London, England, 1954. 195 p., $9^3/_4 \times 6^1/_4$ in., bound. 25s. According to the author, in flow production a part passes from operation to operation in a direct and uninterrupted sequence; in mass production operations are not necessarily connected. This book discusses the principles and applications of these methods, including the application of the flow system to small-scale production. Some of the topics included are launching a new product, standardization, continuous operation, automatic-transfer machines, and the automatic factory. Examples are drawn from British, European, and American industry.

ASME BOILER CODE

Interpretations

THE Boiler and Pressure Vessel Committee meets monthly to consider "Cases" where users have found difficulty in interpreting the Code. These pass through the following procedure: (1) Inquiries are submitted by letter to the Secretary of the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Committee, ASME, 29 West 39th Street, New York 18, N. Y.; (2) Copies are distributed to Committee members for study; (3) At the next Committee meeting interpretations are formulated to be submitted to the ASME Board on Codes and Standards, authorized by the Council of the Society to pass upon them; (4) They are submitted to the Board for action; (5) Those which are approved are sent to the inquirers and are published in MECHANICAL ENGINEERING.

(The following Case Interpretations were formulated at the Committee meeting September 17, 1954, and approved by the Board on November 2, 1954.)

CASE NO. 1181-1 (REOPENED)

(Interpretation of Par. P-112(c))

Revise the last sentence of the *Inquiry* to read:

May these thicknesses, and the carbon content of the carbon-molybdenum materials be increased?

Revise paragraph 2 of the *Reply* increasing the carbon content from 0.20 per cent to 0.25 per cent.

CASE NO. 1192

(Special Ruling)

Inquiry: May age-hardened nickel-copper-aluminum alloy conforming with SB-164, except that the composition and mechanical properties are as shown in the accompanying tables, be employed for bolting material for Code application:

COMPOSITION	*Per Cent*
Nickel	63.0–70.0
Aluminum	2.0– 4.0
Carbon	0.25 max
Iron	2.0 max
Silicon	1.0 max
Titanium	0.25–1.0
Sulfur	0.010 max
Copper	Remainder

and is capable of being age hardened at 1100 F.

What are the design stresses for bolting?

CASE NO. 1192—MECHANICAL PROPERTIES (Inquiry)

	Min Spec Tensile Strength, psi	Min Spec Yield Strength, psi (0.2% Offset)	Min Elongation in 2 in., %	Rc	Hardness, Min[1] Brinell, 3000 kg load
Hot or cold finished, annealed and age hardened	130,000	90,000	20	24	250
Hot finished and age hardened	140,000	100,000	20	27	265

[1] Hardness values for information only.

CASE NO. 1192—BOLTING STRESS AT TEMPERATURE DEG F (Reply)

Condition	Subzero to 80	100	200	300	400	500
Hot or cold finished annealed and age hardened	22,500	22,400	21,500	20,900	20,500	20,200
Hot finished and age hardened	25,000	24,900	24,500	24,000	23,900	23,800

Reply: It is the opinion of the Committee that age-hardened nickel-copper-aluminum alloy as described in the *Inquiry* may be employed for bolting applications. The maximum allowable bolting stresses shall be as shown in the table.

CASE NO. 1193

(Special Ruling)

Inquiry: May the revision to Par. P-242(b) for furnace of the ring-reinforced type, as published in the September, 1954, issue of MECHANICAL ENGINEERING be used in the construction of Code boilers?

Reply: It is the opinion of the Committee that the construction in the published Par. P-242(b) will meet the intent of the Code.

Annulment of Cases

CASE NO.	REASON FOR ANNULMENT
1168	External pressure charts are available

All Cases that refer to the 1949 Section VIII, Code for Unfired Pressure Vessels are to be annulled effective January 1, 1955. These Cases are:

864	1025	1077	1109
885	1038	1078	1111
896	1043	1090	1114
897	1054	1092	1115
898	1068	1100	1117
934	1074	1106	1125
994	1075	1107	1135
997	1076	1108	1139
			1140

Proposed Revisions and Addenda to Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code. . .

AS NEED ARISES, the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Committee entertains suggestions for revising its Codes. Revisions approved by the Committee are published here as proposed addenda to the Code to invite criticism. If and as finally approved by the ASME Board on Codes and Standards, and formally adopted by the Council, they are printed in the annual addenda supplements to the Code. Triennially the addenda are incorporated into a new edition of the Code.

In the following the paragraph numbers indicate where the proposed revisions would apply in the various sections of the Code.

Comments should be addressed to the Secretary of the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Committee, ASME, 29 West 39th Street, New York 18, N. Y.

Power Boilers, 1952

TABLE P-7 Add the stress values given elsewhere on this page.

ADDITIONS TO TABLE P-7

Spec No.	Grade	Nominal Composition	Spec Min Tensile	Notes	For Metal Temperatures Not Exceeding Deg F: −20 to 400	500	600	650	700
PIPE & TUBES									
Seamless Alloy Steel									
SA-369	FP1	C-½ Mo	55000	(2)	13750	13750	13750	13750	13750
SA-369	FP2	½ Cr-½ Mo	55000	...	13750	13750	13750	13750	13750
SA-369	FP3b	2 Cr-½ Mo	60000	...	15000	15000	15000	15000	15000
SA-369	FP11	1¼ Cr-½ Mo-Si	60000	...	15000	15000	15000	15000	15000
SA-369	FP12	1 Cr-½ Mo	60000	...	15000	15000	15000	15000	15000
SA-369	FP21	3 Cr-1 Mo	60000	...	15000	15000	15000	15000	14800
SA-369	FP22	2¼ Cr-1 Mo	60000	...	15000	15000	15000	15000	15000
SA-369	FP5	5 Cr-½ Mo	60000	...	15000	14500	14000	13700	13400
SA-369	FP7	7 Cr-½ Mo	60000	...	15000	14500	14000	13700	13400
SA-369	FP9	9 Cr-1 Mo	60000	...	15000	14500	14000	13700	13400

Spec No.	Grade	For Metal Temperatures Not Exceeding Deg F: 750	800	850	900	950	1000	1050	1100	1150	1200
SA-369	FP1	13750	13450	13150	*12500*	*8500*	*5500*	...	...	...	...
SA-369	FP2	13750	13450	13150	12500	10000	6250	...	...	...	...
SA-369	FP3b	15000	14701	14000	12500	10000	6200	4200	2750	1750	1200
SA-369	FP11	15000	15000	14400	13100	11000	7800	5500	4000	*2500*	*1200*
SA-369	FP12	15000	14750	14200	13100	11000	7500	5000	2800	*1550*	*1000*
SA-369	FP21	14500	13900	13200	12000	9000	7000	5500	4000	2700	1500
SA-369	FP22	15000	15000	14400	13100	11000	7800	5800	4200	3000	2000
SA-369	FP5	13100	12800	12400	11500	10000	7300	5200	3300	2200	1500
SA-369	FP7	13100	12500	11500	9500	7000	5000	3500	2500	1800	1200
SA-369	FP9	13100	12800	12500	12000	10800	8500	5500	3300	2200	1500

Material Specifications, 1952

The Boiler and Pressure Vessel Committee has approved adding to Section II the following new specifications:

SA-216-53T Carbon-Steel Castings Suitable for Fusion Welding for High-Temperature Service

SA-369-53T Ferritic Alloy Steel Forged and Bored Pipe for High-Temperature Service

SB-12-54T Copper Rods for Locomotive Staybolts

SB-150-54 Aluminum Bronze Rod, Bar and Shapes

SB-211-52T Aluminum and Aluminum-Alloy Bars, Rods and Wire (*reinstated*)

Unfired Pressure Vessels, 1952

PAR. UG-23 Add "tensile" before "stress" in the second sentence of subparagraph (a).

Add a new subparagraph (*b*) to read:

(*b*) The maximum allowable compressive stress to be used in the design of cylindrical shells subjected to loadings that produce longitudinal compressive stresses in the shell shall be the smaller of the following values:

(1) The maximum allowable tensile stress value permitted in (a).

(2) The value of the factor *B* determined from the applicable chart in Subsection C for determining the required thickness of shells and heads under external pressure, using the following definitions for the symbols on the chart:

t_h = the minimum required thickness of the shell plates, exclusive of corrosion allowance, inches.

L_i = inside radius of cylindrical shell, inches.

The value of *B* shall be determined from the applicable chart of Subsection C in the following manner:

Step 1: Assume a value of t_h. Determine the ratio $L_i/100t_h$.

Step 2: Enter the left-hand side of the chart in Subsection C for the material under consideration at the value $L_i/100t_h$ determined in Step 1.

Step 3: Move horizontally to the line marked "Sphere Line."

Step 4: From this intersection move vertically to the material line for the design temperature (see Par. UG-20). (For intermediate temperatures, interpolations may be made between the material lines on the chart.)

Step 5: From this intersection move horizontally to the right and read the value of *B*. This is the maximum allowable compressive stress-value for the value of t_h used in Step 1.

Step 6: Compare this value of *B* with the computed longitudinal compressive stress in the vessel, using the assumed value of t_h. If the value of *B* is smaller than the computed stress, a greater value of t_h must be selected and the procedure repeated until a value of *B* is obtained which is greater than the value computed for the loading on the vessel.

The joint-efficiency for butt-welded joints may be taken as unity.

Re-letter present (b) and (c) as (c) and (d) respectively.

TABLE UCS-23 Add the stress values given elsewhere on this page.

ADDITIONS TO TABLE UCS-23

Mat'l & Spec No.	Grade	Nominal Composition	Spec Min Tensile	Notes	For Metal Temperatures Not Exceeding Deg F: −20 to 650	700	750	800
PIPES & TUBES								
Seamless Low-Alloy Steels								
SA-369	FP1	C-½ Mo	55000	...	13750	13750	13750	13450
SA-369	FP2	½ Cr-½ Mo	55000	...	13750	13750	13750	13450
SA-369	FP3b	2 Cr-½ Mo	60000	...	15000	15000	15000	14700
SA-369	FP11	1¼ Cr-½ Mo-Si	60000	...	15000	15000	15000	15000
SA-369	FP12	1 Cr-½ Mo	60000	...	15000	15000	15000	14750
SA-369	FP21	3 Cr-1 Mo	60000	...	15000	14800	14500	13900
SA-369	FP22	2¼ Cr-1 Mo	60000	...	15000	15000	15000	15000
SA-369	FP5	5 Cr-½ Mo	60000	(14)	...	13400	13100	12800
SA-369	FP7	7 Cr-½ Mo	60000	(14)	...	13400	13100	12500
SA-369	FP9	9 Cr-1 Mo	60000	(14)	...	13400	13100	12800

Mat'l & Spec No.	Grade	For Metal Temperatures Not Exceeding Deg F: 850	900	950	1000	1050	1100	1150	1200
SA-369	FP1	13150	12500	10000	6250	...	...	...	...
SA-369	FP2	13150	12500	10000	6250	...	...	...	...
SA-369	FP3b	14000	12500	10000	6200	4200	2750	1750	1200
SA-369	FP11	14400	13100	11000	7800	5500	4000	2500	1200
SA-369	FP12	14200	13100	11000	7500	5000	2800	1550	1000
SA-369	FP21	13200	12000	9000	7000	5500	4000	2700	1500
SA-369	FP22	14400	13100	11000	7800	5800	4200	3000	2000
SA-369	FP5	12400	11500	10000	7300	5200	3300	2200	1500
SA-369	FP7	11500	9500	7000	5000	3500	2500	1800	1200
SA-369	FP9	12500	12000	10800	8500	5500	3300	2200	1500

Add to Note (14):

Spec	Grade	For Metal Temperatures Not Exceeding Deg F: −20 to 400	500	600	650
SA-369	FP5	15000	14500	14000	13700
SA-369	FP7	15000	14500	14000	13700
SA-369	FP9	15000	14500	14000	13700

ASME NEWS

With Notes on the Engineering Profession

Educators, Engineers, Scientists, and Industrialists Meet to Discuss Engineering Education in the United States

- **Elementary and Secondary-School Education Topic at Edison Foundation Institute**
- **Combined-Plan Conference on Liberal Arts in Engineering Education at Columbia**

Thomas Alva Edison Foundation Institute

INDUSTRY is rendering a tremendous service to the nation in its spreading support of steps to enlarge the enrollment of science and engineering students and to improve the qualifications of their teachers, but educators and professional societies have the major responsibility in correcting the dangerous manpower shortage in these fields.

These views were presented by eminent speakers at the fifth Thomas Alva Edison Foundation Institute which opened on October 18 a two-day conference of educators, scientists, engineers, and industrialists from all over the country to discuss "Elementary and Secondary-School Education and the Survival, Strength, and Growth of the United States."

Sponsored by the Foundation, by the Engineering Manpower Commission of Engineers Joint Council, and by the Scientific Manpower Commission, the conferees appraised the impact on education of the "technological cold war," to develop definite recommendations for the alleviation of the existing shortages and the threat to the nation's economic well-being and military assurance. The ASME is one of the constituent societies of EJC.

Among the means proposed to achieve the objective were intensive efforts to communicate the need for both highly trained teachers and students well-prepared to take their places in technology. Such spreading of the gospel of scientific preparedness, it was suggested, should be undertaken at all levels from industry, government, and scientific societies down to the local levels in individual communities.

It was urged that steps be taken to increase the prestige of science teachers at the secondary-school level; accord them more definite professional standing; set higher salaries for teachers, in general, possibly with special recognition of the worth of advanced training and degrees.

That more use might be made of such visual aids as motion pictures and television in the field of science education as a means of improving teacher effectiveness and stimulating student interest was also suggested.

Open sessions were held in Glenmont, the Edison home in Llewellyn Park, West Orange, N. J., and discussion groups met in the Hotel Suburban, East Orange. The program was designated a phase of Light's Diamond Jubilee commemorating the 75th anniversary of Edison's invention of the incandescent light.

Role of Technology

Addressing the conference on "The Role of Technology—Past, Present, and Future," Vice-Admiral Harold G. Bowen, USN, Ret., Hon. Mem. ASME, executive director of the Foundation, said that technology has accomplished more for civilization than all other efforts of the human race. But, he added, it also has created new problems in human relationships.

Admiral Bowen hailed this country's industrial leadership as being due to its technological achievements and warned that "Americans will be very stupid if we do not compare the fundamentals of our industrial economy with the cause of the decline in the importance of England and Western Europe.

"This whole enormous subject of English industrial decline should be made a matter of the most serious and thorough study and investigation," urged Admiral Bowen. "Such a study is imperative if we are to profit, in time, by example."

As to this nation's technological benefits, Admiral Bowen said: "Our industrial economy has given us the highest scale of living by far ever enjoyed by any civilization. Where one third of the Roman population possessed three human slaves per capita, every American has 260 slaves per capita on an energy basis."

College Enrollment Down

M. H. Trytten, director of the Office of Scientific Personnel, National Academy of Sciences, National Research Council, found the situation of poorly qualified teachers and of an inadequate number of high-school graduates entering college "an alarming picture." He blamed lax state-licensing provisions in part responsible for poorly qualified teaching personnel.

"These are disturbing facts to face in an atomic age," said Dr. Trytten. "This is an age when all men should know more about science than ever before since science is daily increasingly affecting the lives of all of us. It is an age when both our well-being and the defense of our civilization rest most heavily on science as a foundation."

He deplored the evidence that "we seem to be de-emphasizing science in our schools rather than giving it a place commensurate with its importance in our lives." He called for a scrutiny of the secondary-school system and said that this important link in our educational system calls for extensive reorientation and reconstruction.

Scientific Societies

Howard A. Meyerhoff, executive director of the Scientific Manpower Commission, called upon the scientific societies to enlarge their activities in stimulating the interest of high-school students. He commented that the societies "belatedly became acutely aware of the fact that, as manpower shortages go, the worst is in the high-school teaching staffs." In five years, said Dr. Meyerhoff, there has

been a 50 per cent drop in the number of teachers certified to teach science, the figure reaching 75 per cent in physics. He added that "physics is moving out of the secondary schools, not for lack of student interest but for lack of good teaching."

Better Guidance Suggested

Fletcher G. Watson, James Bryant Conant lecturer at the Harvard Graduate School of Education, urged colleges to send speakers to high schools to address faculty members or the public and to encourage professors to provide guidance on technical matters and to lend equipment. He suggested that college instructors advise promising pupils who need realistic advice on projects and on career possibilities such as selecting a college fitting their interests and informing them of the availability of financial aid. He called for a greater extension in the South and in the South Central area of study opportunities provided by industries for secondary-school teachers.

Industry Meets Shortage

Albert W. Davison, of Newark, Ohio, consultant to the Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corporation, said that an increasing number of industries are turning over to technicians, under professional guidance, work previously done by trained professional people, thus striving, though in small measure, to alleviate the manpower shortage. Commenting on the salaries offered in the science and engineering fields, Dr. Davison said that "industry, as a whole, has accepted without quibbling the fact that the law of supply and demand prevails as far as manpower is concerned" and that industry "is willing to pay for the scientific and engineering manpower it needs."

Guest speakers also included Rear Admiral Lewis L. Strauss, USNR, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, who addressed the Institute on "The Dependence of the Free World on the Creativity of Its Engineers and Scientists"; Charles F. Kettering, Fellow ASME, research consultant to General Motors and president of the Foundation, spoke on "Energy—Man's Slave"; and Charles Edison, former Governor of New Jersey, son of the inventor, and Honorary President of the Foundation, presented the sponsor's greetings at a luncheon in Glenmont.

Standing in the den at "Glenmont," Thomas A. Edison's home in West Orange, N. J., at the fifth Thomas Alva Edison Foundation Institute on Oct. 19, 1954, are, *left to right*, Charles F. Kettering, Fellow ASME, president of the Thomas Alva Edison Foundation, The Honorable Charles Edison, honorary president of the Foundation, Rear Admiral Lewis L. Strauss, USNR, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, and Vice-Admiral Harold G. Bowen, USN, Ret., Hon. Mem. ASME, executive director of the Foundation.

● Combined-Plan Conference on Liberal Arts in the Education of Engineers Held at Columbia

College presidents, deans, and professors from the 43 liberal-arts colleges affiliated with the Columbia University school of engineering met October 13–15 at Arden House, Columbia's campus at Harriman, N. Y., to discuss the role of liberal arts in engineering education.

John R. Dunning, Mem. ASME, dean of the school of engineering, set the background for the conference by warning the educators of the dangers in lagging behind Russia in technology. He said that in case of another war, "half of the people and all of the major cities in the U. S. would be wiped out in the first hours." Dr. Dunning warned that "we have already lost the battle for technical manpower.

Because of skyrocketing future enrollments and critical current need for engineers, the conference was called to examine the role of the Columbia combined plan for a liberal education in engineering. Under this plan, a student attends the liberal-arts college three years and Columbia school of engineering for two years. He receives degrees from both institutions at the completion of the five years.

The conference was the first of a series to be held triennially.

Emphasize Quality of Education

Henry S. Dyer, vice-president, Educational Testing Service, Princeton, N. J., said that "getting qualified teachers would be the chief problem of liberal-arts colleges in the next ten years." He said that "while the labor force from which the teachers are drawn will have increased only 49 per cent the student population will have increased 250 per cent. This will inevitably mean a decrease in teacher quality." He said that, "because a much larger per cent of high-school graduates will go on to college, the center of gravity of intelligence will be lower." Deploring the current craze for vocational courses, Dr. Dyer said that, "private liberal-arts colleges should emphasize quality of education, rather than quantity or popularity."

He said that vocational courses for mass student bodies are the strong point of large state and municipal universities. Liberal-arts colleges shouldn't try to compete where the state institutions are strongest. He called on the educators "to use their ingenuity to make the student appreciate ideas, and to make liberal-arts education the preliminary to professional training, rather than preprofessional training."

Return to Ideas

Howard Mumford Jones, professor of English literature at Harvard University, asked for a return to ideas in teaching. He said, "liberal-arts education has been traditionally the fountain of ideas. Today, however, the wave of anti-intellectualism in America is cause, or effect, of fear of ideas."

Dr. Jones condemned the lack of cheerfulness in college courses. He said, "the emphasis has been on man's frailty, rather than his strength. The failures are more stressed than the triumphs. Liberal arts and engineering and science are a good combination, when rationality is stressed. Science is rational, but liberal arts have tended to play up the irrationality of man."

Continuing on the cheerful side, Dr. Mario Salvadori of Columbia School of Engineering, professor of civil engineering, said that, "man is on the verge of the greatest era in history. Science's greatest contribution to man is to teach him that he can accomplish more by teamwork than in competition. Scientists," he said, "work together in an intimate creative act, which no single genius could produce alone."

Fundamental Teaching Stressed

Clarence H. Linder, Mem. ASME, vice-president in charge of engineering services,

General Electric Company, told the meeting that "industry is negligent in telling colleges what their needs are." He said that General Electric has been trying to do that.

"Many colleges have tended to become trade schools," he said, "which General Electric doesn't want. The electrical industry will need many more engineers in the future. In fact, the electrical industry will produce as much in the next ten years as it has in the past 75." He also said that atomic energy is "absolutely essential" to the electrical industry to meet this expansion. "Fossile fuels can't take care of this growth."

"There is too much tendency on the part of engineering schools to train in specifics," he said. "We in G.E. don't want specialists at the bachelor level. We want people with good fundamental science and mathematics. If we want specialists, we hire PhD's."

"A man whose training has emphasized current technology can't keep up with the changing world," he said. "The conception of the corporate citizen has grown up in recent years. Since so many of the top industrial executives are engineers, they cannot isolate themselves from the world. Here liberal-arts training is essential. Technical people must be skilled in communication of ideas. That causes more trouble in G.E. than anything else. We must produce versatile young men trained thoroughly in basic science. They must be able to cope with the problems of 10 to 15 years from now. The present is already past in technology."

Better Engineers Needed

Lawrence H. Chamberlain, dean of Columbia College, said that our very survival a decade hence may depend upon technical superiority. He said that "our chances of competing with the Soviet Union on favorable terms cannot be done quantitatively. They outbreed us. We want better engineers."

"The problems that threaten to destroy our very culture and civilization are not technical problems," he continued, "they contain elements of science and technology, but also elements of history, philosophy, religion, sociology, and economics, not to mention old-fashioned common sense. The individuals to whom we must look for guidance will be those who have compounded their capacity for vision and penetration by drawing upon all the resources of wisdom and understanding available to mankind."

Dean Chamberlain said, "It is to the credit of the Engineering School at Columbia that the idea of requiring a solid liberal-arts foundation for students headed for engineering has always had fine support, despite persistent evidence that from a competitive point of view this requirement placed it at a disadvantage."

He said, "The combined plan has advantages over the plan to introduce liberal-arts courses into regular engineering curricula in that there are plenty of good liberal-arts colleges ready now to do a good job, that their staffs have more experience, that the liberal-arts teacher is happier in a liberal-arts college, students get more personal attention in liberal-arts colleges, and that students can experiment with several fields before committing themselves to engineering. Thus, if they flunk out in the second or third year, they merely transfer to another field."

The conference concluded that the three-two plan for liberal arts-engineering education was not only a desirable but a necessary part of the American educational system for science and technological manpower.

The Right Honorable C. D. Howe, *left*, Hon. Mem. ASME, recipient of the Daniel Guggenheim award, looks over scroll and medal with J. Carlton Ward, Jr., Mem. ASME, who made the presentation in Los Angeles, Calif., October 8, during a dinner session of the National Aeronautic Meeting of the Society of Automotive Engineers. The Guggenheim medal is a jointly sponsored award of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences, and the SAE. Mr. Howe delivered a "Progress Report on Canadian Aviation" as principal speaker of the evening.

ASME to Join First EJC General Assembly in New York, N. Y., Jan. 21, 1955

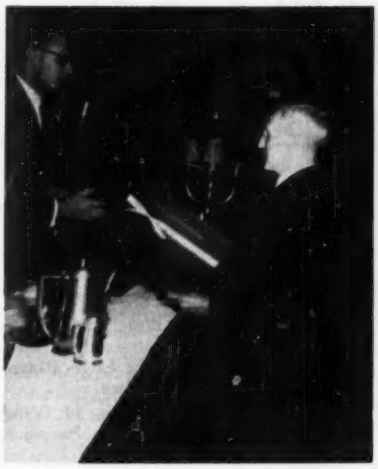
THE Engineers Joint Council, for the first time in its history, will hold a general assembly and a banquet at the Hotel Statler, New York, N. Y., Jan. 21, 1955. The day-long program is designed to include discussions of the major topics of importance to the engineering profession.

The basic theme of the assembly will be the increase of unity in the engineering profession. In addition to the wide variety of topics to be covered in committees and papers by leaders in the profession, there will be addresses by distinguished authorities at luncheon and dinner. Featured for the evening portion of the program is the installation of new officers.

Discussions will deal with the problem of engineering-manpower shortage, employment conditions as they affect engineers, the national water policy which has occupied the Council's attention for several years, activities in specialized areas of engineering such as in the industrial and peacetime phases of nuclear development, and finally, the future usefulness of EJC to affiliate and associate societies.

Thorndike Saville, dean of engineering at New York University, is president of the Council.

The constituent societies of EJC are the American Society of Civil Engineers, American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, American Water Works Association, American Institute of Electrical Engineers, Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, American Society for Engineering Education, American Institute of Chemical Engineers.



O. L. Lewis, *left,* chairman, ASME Petroleum Division, presents certificate of appreciation for outstanding service to S. Mensonides at the banquet, September 28. *Center photo* shows D. P. Thornton, Jr., Southwestern editor, *Petroleum Processing,* who was among others to receive a certificate. W. L. Dugan, *right,* holds Student Paper award which he received for a petroleum paper he wrote as a senior at Stevens Institute of Technology.

ASME Los Angeles Petroleum Mechanical-Engineering Meeting Great Success

THE ninth annual Petroleum Mechanical-Engineering Conference, held September 26–29 in the Statler Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif., under the sponsorship of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, was the most successful technical meeting of petroleum engineers ever held on the West Coast, according to L. F. Strader, Richfield Oil Corporation and conference chairman.

Nearly 700 engineers registered for the four-day meeting which featured 36 technical papers at 18 technical sessions. "The large attendance, the high quality of the papers, and the unprecedented demand for preprints indicate the emergence of the Southern California area as one of the nation's foremost centers of petroleum-engineering interest and activity," Mr. Strader said.

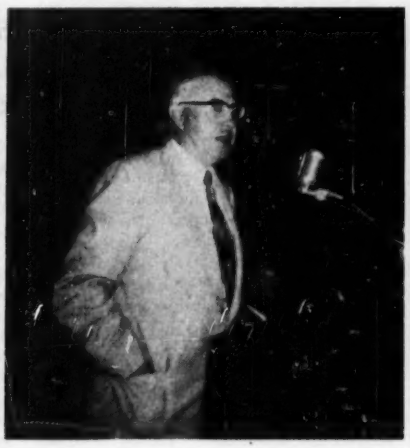
Technical Program

The technical sessions covered important phases of petroleum refining, production, materials, manufacturing, and transportation. Speakers and chairmen included national industrial leaders from all sections of the country.

Delivering the conference welcome address at a luncheon session September 27, Eugene W. O'Brien, past-president and Fellow ASME, told the assembled engineers that, "Human relations play a more important part in engineering success than technical qualities."

Mr. O'Brien recently concluded a study in which he interviewed 800 recent engineering graduates. "Of 541 pertinent replies, more than 300 listed human-relations factors as the key to their professional success," Mr. O'Brien said. He called for a re-evaluation of engineering education to give added stress to these factors.

A high spot of the convention was a banquet address by Joseph Jensen, assistant to the divisional general manager of the Western Division, Tidewater Associated Oil Company, and chairman of the board of directors of the Metropolitan Water District of Los Angeles. Mr. Jensen reported on coming water needs of the Southern California area.



Eugene Biscailez, *left,* Sheriff of Los Angeles, Calif., extends official welcome to the 1954 Petroleum Mechanical-Engineering Conference audience. Eugene W. O'Brien, *center,* past-president ASME, discusses human relations as a factor in engineering. Joseph Jensen, *right,* addresses the Petroleum banquet on water supply for Southern California's industries.

"Southern California population, increasing at the rate of 274,000 per year and expected to reach 10 million by 1980, poses the need for ever-greater quantities of water," Mr. Jensen said. "To meet growing water requirements, the Metropolitan Water District has already spent more than $216 million on construction to supply water needs of 60 southland cities." He added that Southern California will win its long-standing water dispute with Arizona.

Award Certificates

At the banquet, certificates of appreciation were awarded to nine former ASME Petroleum Division chairmen. O. L. Lewis, national chairman of the Petroleum Division, presented award certificates for outstanding service and achievement to: Max P. Watson, United Gas Pipe Line Company, New Orleans, La.; T. B. Tuttle, equipment editor, *The Oil & Gas Journal*, Tulsa, Okla.; David P. Thornton, Jr., Southwestern editor of *Petroleum Processing*, Houston, Texas; Winfred H. Stueve, consulting engineer, Oklahoma City, Okla.; L. F. Strader, assistant vice-president of manufacturing, Richfield Oil Corporation, Los Angeles, Calif.; S. Mensonides, vice-president and general sales executive, Farrar & Trefts, Buffalo, N. Y.; D. E. Fields, vice-president, Flint Steel Corporation, Tulsa, Okla.; C. R. Draughon, Esso Standard Oil Co., New Orleans, La.; and F. J. Daasch, Rock Island, Ill.

W. L. Dugan, presently of the Hughes Tool Company, was awarded a Student Paper certificate and cash prize for his paper on petroleum engineering, which he submitted during his senior year at Stevens Institute of Technology.

High light of the technical papers was a prediction by Roger Gilliland, The Swartwout Company, Alhambra, Calif., that "automated" petroleum production is fast approaching. "The change-over from electrical or manual controls in the petroleum and chemical industries will lower installation and production costs," he said, "and bring about the installation of electronic computers, that are already changing the shape of other industries."

Inspection Trips

Inspection trips were arranged to include a boat tour through the facilities of Long Beach Harbor located over one of the largest producing oil fields in California. This harbor ranks with the most modern in the United States.

On Tuesday the Richfield Oil Corporation Watson Refinery was visited where a forty-million-dollar expansion and modernization program has just been completed.

Two trips were scheduled for Wednesday, the Brea Chemical Company Ammonia Plant, and Union Oil Company Research Center.

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54—PET-1	The American Standard Code for Pressure Piping, by F. S. G. Williams
54—PET-2	Mechanical Features of the Hyperforming Process, by Clyde Berg
54—PET-3	Design Problems and Applications of High-Speed Turbines, by H. Steen-Johnson
54—PET-4	Field Co-Ordinating Organization for Improving Efficiency of Petroleum-Refinery Maintenance, by E. C. Hermann
54—PET-5	Field-Welding of Heavy-Wall Pressure Vessels, by F. A. Upton
54—PET-6	Allowable Membrane Stresses for Welded Carbon-Steel Boilers and Pressure Vessels, by W. P. Kerkhof
54—PET-7	Stresses From Local Loading in Cylindrical Pressure Vessels, by P. P. Bijlaard
54—PET-8	The Circular-Girder Four-Columns Space Frame, by N. A. Weil and J. S. Podolan
54—PET-9	A Look Ahead in Pressure-Vessel Design in the Petroleum Industry, by E. W. Jacobson
54—PET-10	Handling Viscous Crude Oils by Pipe Line, by Morgan Martin
54—PET-11	A Damper for Wind-Induced Bridge-Vibration Experimental Studies, by R. C. Baird and A. J. Ebersole
54—PET-12	Wind-Induced Vibration of a Pipe-Line Suspension Bridge and Its Cure, by R. C. Baird
54—PET-13	In-Situ Combustion-Oil Recovery Process—Installation for Field Experiment in Jefferson County, Okla., by R. L. Koch, J. F. Gleason, Jr., and W. G. Boston
54—PET-14	Techniques Developed in the Testing of Reinforced Polyester Pipe, by H. D. Boggs and D. R. Longnecker
54—PET-15	The Development of a Rubber-Sealed Valve For Oil-Well Drilling, by L. H. Carr
54—PET-16	Principles of Duplex Slush-Pump Operation, by R. L. Walker and R. A. Tappmeyer
54—PET-17	Adapting Radiography to Petroleum-Industry Needs, by H. Hovland
54—PET-18	Glass Coating as a Corrosion Barrier, by W. A. Deringer
54—PET-19	The Design of Offshore-Drilling Structures, by R. J. Howe
54—PET-20	Resistance of Tubular Materials to Sulphide Corrosion Cracking, by J. P. Fraser and R. S. Treseder
54—PET-21	Electric-Arc Technique for Stub-Ending Drill Collars, by W. S. Bachman
54—PET-22	Bottom-Hole Pressure Surges While Running Pipe, by E. H. Clark, Jr.
54—PET-23	Free-Piston Gas-Turbine Prime Mover, by R. P. Ramsey
54—PET-24	Power Actuation of Flow Valves for Automation of Lease Operations, by A. A. Tobin
54—PET-25	Excavated Underground Storage for Petroleum Products, by R. L. Loofbourow
54—PET-27	Hydrogen Blisters in Gas Transmission Lines and Preventive Methods, by Felipe Paredes and W. W. Mize
54—PET-28	The Application of V-Belt Drives to Slush Pumps, by W. S. Worley
54—PET-29	Economics of Design of Heat Exchangers, by E. D. Anderson and E. W. Flaxbart
54—PET-30	Electronic Automatic-Control System as Applied to the Petroleum Industry, by Roger Gilliland
54—PET-31	The Use of Electronic Digital Computers in Pipe-Line Design and Operation, by T. Y. Hicks and G. V. Rohleder
54—PET-32	Report on the Protection of Offshore Steel Structures by a Metallurgical Method, by B. B. Morton
54—PET-33	Mechanical Advancement in the Alkylation Process, by S. R. Stiles
54—PET-34	Economics and Operating Procedure of Crude-Oil Tank Mixers, by Neil G. Wilson
54—PET-35	The Influence of High-Strength Materials on the Design and Fabrication of Layer Vessels, by G. E. Fratcher

Success of First ASME-ASLE Lubrication Conference Encourages Plans for Future

The two-day conference held jointly by the American Society of Lubricating Engineers and the Lubrication Activity of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers was the first such undertaking.

Meeting in Baltimore, Md., at the Lord Baltimore Hotel, October 18 and 19, this combined group project made giant strides toward establishing a general forum where engineers directly concerned with lubrication problems could present and discuss their findings and views.

More than 300 engineers attended the first conference. Nineteen papers were presented covering the general phases of friction and lubrication. The session subjects included the following: Hydrostatic lubrication—the papers pertained to hydrostatic journal,

thrust, and spherical bearing; bearing instability—whip and whirl in journal bearings, and turbulence in thrust bearings; new developments in hydrodynamic lubrication—recent advances in the hydrodynamics of slider bearings, cam and cam followers, and noncircular section sleeve bearings; rolling-element bearings—high-speed ball-and-roller-bearing operation, high-temperature ball-bearing operation in the absence of a lubricant, and materials and lubricants, gear materials; temperature and pressure—viscosity effects of oils; and friction research.

The papers covered both the theoretical and practical aspects of the new developments in the field. Conference registrants were presented with a complete set of meeting papers.

The thought-provoking papers and the interest and enthusiasm of the large audience marked the success of the meeting. The program was designed so that no two sessions conflicted, thus affording everyone an opportunity to attend all the meetings.

Plans are in progress for the second annual lubrication conference predicated on the success of the first conference..

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54—LUB-2	The Statistical Nature of Friction, by E. RABINOWICZ, B. G. RIGHTMIRE, C. E. TEDHOLM, and R. E. WILLIAMS
54—LUB-3	Investigation of Translatory Fluid Whirl in Vertical Machines, by G. F. BOKKER and B. STERNLICHT
54—LUB-4	Oil-Film Whirl—An Investigation of Disturbances Due to Oil Films in Journal Bearings, by B. L. NEWKIRK and J. F. LEWIS
54—LUB-5	The Short-Bearing Approximation for Plain Journal Bearings, by G. B. DUBOIS and F. W. OCVIRK
54—LUB-6	Friction in a Close-Contact System, by WALTER CLAYPOOLE
54—LUB-7	Turbulence in a Tilting-Pad Thrust Bearing, by STANLEY ABRAMOVITZ
54—LUB-8	Behavior of Air in the Hydrostatic Lubrication of Loaded Spherical Bearings, by T. L. COBEY, H. H. ROWAND, JR., E. M. KIPP, and C. M. TYLER, JR.
54—LUB-9	Power Loss in Elliptical and Three-Lobe Bearings, by OSCAR PINKUS
54—LUB-10	Studies in Lubrication (10). The Complete Journal Bearing With Circumferential Oil Inlet, by M. J. JACOBSON, A. CHARNES, and E. SAIBEL
54—LUB-11	On the Solution of Reynolds Equation for Slider-Bearing Lubrication (9). The Stepped Slider With Adiabatic Lubricant Flow, by F. OSTERLE, A. CHARNES, and E. SAIBEL
54—LUB-12	Materials and Designs of Cages for High-Speed Cylindrical Roller Bearings, by W. J. ANDERSON and Z. N. NEMETH
54—LUB-13	Hydrodynamic Lubrication of a Cam and a Cam Follower, by ROBERT DAVIES
54—LUB-14	A Progress Report on the Surface-Endurance Limits of Engineering Materials, by G. J. TALBOURDET
54—LUB-15	Recent Advances in the Hydrodynamic Theory of Slider-Bearing Lubrication, the Reynolds Equation, by F. OSTERLE and E. SAIBEL
54—LUB-16	A Demonstration of Bingham-Type Flow in Greases, by H. E. MAHNCKE and W. TABOR

Meetings of Other Societies

Dec. 12–15
American Institute of Chemical Engineers, annual meeting, Hotel Statler, New York, N. Y.

Dec. 17
Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences, 18th Wright Brothers Lecture, U. S. Chamber of Commerce Building Auditorium, Washington, D. C. To be repeated Dec. 20, Los Angeles, Calif.; Dec. 22, Cleveland, Ohio

Dec. 26–31
American Association for the Advancement of Science, 121st meeting, University of California, Berkeley, Calif.

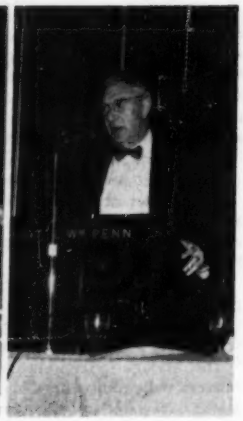
(*ASME Calendar of Coming Events, see page 1050*)

ECPD Revises Booklet on Engineering

AVAILABILITY of a second edition of its popular career-guidance pamphlet for engineers is announced by the Engineers' Council for Professional Development. "Entitled Engineering—A Creative Profession," the 31-page illustrated bulletin clearly and graphically explains just what engineering is; patterns common to all fields of engineering; the necessary educational background; how to go about getting an engineering job; the difference between the various fields of engineering; and the proper choice of a college as the starting point in a professional career. A two-page bibliography of recommended reading is included.

Copies of the pamphlet sell for 25 cents, with a 40 per cent discount available on orders of 50 or more copies. Inquiries should be sent to ECPD, 29 West 39th Street, New York 18, N. Y.

Senator Ralph E. Flanders, *seated*, past-president and Hon. Mem. ASME, U. S. Senator from Vermont, signs the Honorary Members' Book of The Institution of Mechanical Engineers in London, England, during his recent visit. Senator Flanders was elected to Honorary Membership in the Institution, January, 1951, in recognition of his distinction in the practice and organization of engineering. Standing, *left* and *right*, are Dr. S. F. Dorey, who was president of the Institution at the time of the Senator's election, and Dr. R. W. Bailey, president of the IME.



Shown at the Fuels Conference banquet, in Pittsburgh, Pa., October 28, *in center photo,* is P. H. McCance, president, Duquesne Light Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., who was toastmaster; and *right photo,* R. L. Ireland, chairman of the Executive Committee, Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Company, delivering his talk, "A Look From Within the Coal Industry"; *left photo,* Maurice D. Cooper, *right,* director of mining education, National Coal Association, presents the Percy Nicholls Award to John F. Barkley, Fellow ASME, staff adviser of Fuels and Explosives Division, U. S. Bureau of Mines, Washington, D. C.

ASME-AIME Fuels Conference Is Again a Stand-Out Affair

THE seventeenth annual joint conference of the Fuels Division of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the Coal Division of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers was held at the William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 28 and 29, 1954.

More than 250 ASME members registered for the two-day conference and the attendance grew to huge proportions on Friday, October 29, when 730 registered for the ninth annual "Off-the-Record" meeting of the Pittsburgh Section AIME, which ran concurrently with the final sessions of the Fuels Conference.

Presidents Welcome Guests

Lewis K. Sillcox, ASME President, and L. F. Reinartz, AIME President, welcomed members and their guests at the opening luncheon of the Fuels Conference. Dr. Sillcox spoke on the early history of ASME and Mr. Reinartz told of the various AIME activities. In the course of his talk he enumerated the many reasons why a young man should join a professional engineering society and the benefits he might expect to derive and stressed the need of interesting intelligent high-school boys in engineering.

In addition to business and dinner meetings, there were 11 technical sessions held at which 39 technical papers or discussions were presented.

Conference Banquet

"The future outlook for the area's coal industry is bright," according to R. L. Ireland, chairman of the Executive Committee, Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Company, Cleveland, Ohio, principal speaker at the ASME banquet on Thursday.

In his talk entitled "A Look Within the Coal Industry," Mr. Ireland told of the bright outlook for the area's coal industry and added that his industry expects no difficulty in finding a ready market for the area's vast supply of unmined coal, estimated at nearly five-billion tons in eight Western Pennsylvania counties alone.

The coal executive predicted that an expanding utility business will find increasing need for larger supplies. He acknowledged that ills have beset the industry within the past few years, but he added he believed coal is still in the frontier stage and that research holds the key to future expansion.

Mr. Ireland pointed out the need for more engineers of all types to step up coal research and eliminate such problems as smoke and air pollution. He expressed the belief that conquering the difficulties which have cut down coal's traditional markets rather than finding

T. E. Purcell, *left,* Fellow ASME, chairman of the General Arrangements Committee, seventeenth annual ASME-AIME Fuels Conference, Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 28–29, 1954, registers L. F. Reinartz, *center,* AIME President, and L. K. Sillcox, *right,* President and Hon. Mem. ASME, for the two-day meeting.

all new markets was the answer to the industry's present blight.

He blamed much of the industry's trouble to overproduction during World War II when strip mines were rushed into operation to supply suddenly increased demands for coal. These mines are still operating and take a share of the coal market which formerly went to deep-mine operators. Mr. Ireland said he believed that production from strip mines should be curtailed in order to reserve it for future emergencies.

P. H. McCance, president of the Duquesne Light Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., served as toastmaster at the banquet.

Percy Nicholls Award

The Percy Nicholls award which is given for outstanding contributions in the coal industry was awarded at the banquet to John F. Barkley, Fellow ASME, staff adviser of the Fuels and Explosives Division, U. S. Bureau of Mines, Washington, D. C. The presentation was made by Maurice D. Cooper, director of mining education, National Coal Association.

Mr. Barkley was honored for his work on the Model Smoke Law Committee; his technical papers on fuels, combustion, and the abatement of air pollution; his practical direction which brought about high efficiencies and fuel savings in many U. S. Government plants; and his much-sought-for and freely given advice.

T. E. Purcell, Fellow ASME, general superintendent of power stations, Duquesne Light Company, was chairman of the General Arrangements Committee and a large portion of the success of the seventeenth Fuels Conference is attributed to his enthusiastic and energetic direction of the various and several committees.

Eighteenth Fuels Conference

The eighteenth annual Fuels Conference will be held at the Neil House, Columbus, Ohio, Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 19 and 20, 1955. Elmer Kaiser will be chairman of the 1955 Conference Committee, with William T. Reid as co-chairman. Other chairmen of the 1955 committees are: A. B. Clymer, *Publicity;* J. R. Garvey, *Plant Trips;* G. E. Haney, *Printing and Signs;* W. C. Holton, *Technical;* C. J. Lyons, *Registration;* J. H. Melvin, *Finance;* J. M. Pilcher, *Entertainment;* and M. L. Smith, *Hotel.*

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54—FU-2	Progress Report: Bureau of Mines Estimate of Coking-Coal Reserves, by J. J. Dowd
54—FU-3	Small and Medium-Sized Cyclone-Furnace Boilers, by W. I. Collins
54—FU-4	Performance of Chain and Traveling-Grate Stokers Burning Coals Mined in the Pittsburgh District of Pennsylvania, by J. M. MacLachlan

ASME and IEC Prime Movers Committees Meet in Philadelphia, Pa.

The work of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers on power test codes has not been confined only to national standardization but has played an important part also in international standardization to the end that buying and selling of prime movers between nations might be facilitated. Through its membership in the International Electrotechnical Commission since 1925, the ASME has been actively engaged in bringing about international agreements covering specifications and acceptance tests for this type of equipment. The U. S. National Committee of the IEC accepted the secretariats for the three international committees on prime movers. The work of the IEC, interrupted during the second world war, has gradually been reactivated since July, 1946, and the programs of the prime-movers committees were resumed and sufficiently advanced to have these technical committees meet during the Golden Jubilee of the IEC in Philadelphia, Pa., at the University of Pennsylvania, during the two weeks of Sept. 1–16, 1954.

Following are brief statements of the activities relating to hydraulic turbines, steam turbines, and internal-combustion engines.

Hydraulic Turbines

IEC/TC/4 on Hydraulic Turbines met for three days, September 1–3, with representatives of nine countries participating: Canada, France, Germany, Japan, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Yugoslavia, and the United States.

There was unanimous agreement on the urgent need for an international code covering rules for acceptance tests for hydraulic turbines. Three documents were under consideration at the meeting and included: 1 Swiss Rules for Hydraulic Turbines, 2 ASME Power Test Code for Hydraulic Prime Movers, and 3 Tentative Draft of Proposed United States Current Meter Method of Testing.

In the course of their deliberations the committee discussed three methods of water measurement, namely, current meters, Allen salt velocity, and Gibson (pressure time). It was voted unanimously to include these three methods in a recommended IEC Code on Hydraulic Turbine Testing in conjunction with proper provisions for the application of each method on the understanding that this implies no restrictions as to the inclusion of other methods of water measurement.

After having discussed the problem of tolerances, the delegates of seven countries (France not voting) voted to include:

1 A plus-tolerance only in output to take into account the unavoidable variations in manufacture and construction.

2 Plus and minus tolerances on measured efficiencies with respect to the inaccuracies inherent in measurements, with the understanding that the manner of application and the amount of these tolerances would be decided at a later date.

It also was recognized that information on windage and friction has been very meager in the past. However, discussions at the meeting indicated that further information is now becoming available. Action by the Committee empowered the permanent chairman of IEC/TC/4, S. Logan Kerr, Fellow ASME, to appoint a committee to study and correlate all available data on the subject from which suitable formulas can be derived for the consideration of the technical committee for inclusion in an international test code for hydraulic turbines.

The Secretariat will prepare a proposed draft of a code for the consideration of IEC/TC/4 on Hydraulic Turbines.

Steam Turbines

IEC/TC/5 on Steam Turbines held four days of meetings—September 7, 8, 10, and 11, with representatives of ten countries present: Canada, Belgium, France, Germany, India, Italy, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, and the United States.

The three secretariat documents relating to steam turbines presented for discussion and consideration covered:

1 Part 1, the Purchase Specification (proposed revision of IEC Publication 45)

2 Part 2, Rules for Acceptance Tests (proposed revision of IEC Publication 46)

3 Appendix to Rules for Acceptance Tests (revision of IEC Publication 46A, Supplementary Notes on Instruments and Methods of Measurement)

Referring to part 1, the Purchase Specification, after the Secretariat has incorporated the comments and suggestions made at this meeting, the proposed revision of this international document will be submitted to all IEC National Committees for ratification under the "Six Months' Rule."

The general views expressed by the delegates during the meeting will be incorporated by the Secretariat into further revisions of part 2, Rules for Acceptance Tests, and the Appendix to the Rules Covering Supplementary Notes on Instruments and Methods of Measurement. After sufficient time has been allowed for review of these revised documents by the national committees forming IEC/TC/5, another meeting will be scheduled.

It was agreed that for the present the Rules for Acceptance Tests will only provide for the

conduct of tests and for the computation of the results for turbines of the following types:

(*a*) Complete expansion condensing turbines in which all the steam enters at one pressure and all the steam leaves at a pressure less than that of the atmosphere.

(*b*) Condensing turbines similar to (*a*) except that the steam is reheated after partial expansion.

(*c*) Condensing turbines similar to (*a*) but operating on a regenerative cycle, i.e., steam being extracted from one or more stages solely for heating the unit's own feedwater. This class may include turbines that supply extraction steam for heating make-up feedwater, also evaporators and deaerators serving as extraction feedwater heaters.

(*d*) Condensing turbines similar to (*a*) but provided with both the special features described in (*b*) and (*c*).

(*e*) Noncondensing and back-pressure turbines in which all steam enters at one pressure and all steam leaves at a pressure equal to or greater than that of the atmosphere.

Additional types of turbines will be considered at the next meeting of the committee.

In order to determine the desirability of including numerical examples of the various calculations which are specified in the Rules, copies of the Appendix to the ASME Power Test Code for Steam Turbines that covers such items will be sent to the delegates for their study, consideration, and comment.

Since consideration of the future development and definition of the 50-cycle preferred standard for condensing steam turbines is required, IEC/TC/5 recommended that its Subcommittee 5A on Turbo-Generator Sets schedule a meeting in London, England, in 1955, to discuss these problems.

Subject to prompt co-operation from the national committees relative to the work of the Secretariat, it is believed that the next meeting of IEC/TC/5 can be convened in approximately two years at a suitable location.

Internal-Combustion Engines

IEC/TC/19 on Internal-Combustion Engines was in session for two days—September 14 and 15. Since only four countries were represented—France, Germany, Italy, and the United States—it was agreed to discuss informally the problems at hand. International purchase specifications for internal-combustion engines had been adopted in 1939. While the rules for acceptance tests and the information on instruments and apparatus were circulated for comment, approval was not obtainable due to the war. Revisions of these documents, therefore, were prepared by the Secretariat and distributed prior to this meeting. An additional document was introduced to the meeting covering specifications for reciprocating internal-combustion engines (excluding carburetor type) as representing the current thinking of the United States delegation. In the time available discussion was limited to this latter document which will be revised by the Secretariat and distributed to the members of IEC/TC/19 for consideration.

Calvin W. Rice Lecturer

Sir Hugh Beaver, who is managing director of Arthur Guinness, Son & Co., Ltd., has held many responsible appointments, aiding the government in the study of special problems, among them "new towns" and "Building Industry Working Party." He has also held the offices of Director General and Controller General of the Ministry of Works. His new assignment, which came in 1953, poses the enormous task of coming up with an answer to the cause and control of London smogs. The 1952 episode, which began on December 5 of that year, killed an estimated 4000 Londoners and sickened and distressed many more. The full significance of this catastrophe was not immediately realized and Sir Hugh's committee was not appointed until July, 1953. The vigor of his attack is evidenced by the publication of a useful interim report before the end of that year. A final report is expected by the end of this year or early in 1955 and will form the basis of the lecture by Sir Hugh at the ASME meeting in March.

Sir Hugh E. C. Beaver

The Calvin W. Rice Lecture was awarded Sir Hugh by the ASME in recognition of his many outstanding achievements in the engineering field. Created to honor the man who was ASME secretary from 1906 to 1934 and to further his ideals to increase understanding between the engineers of the various countries and to broaden the programs of Society meetings, the lecture has been awarded to distinguished engineers each year since 1934.

A New Frontier—Air-Pollution Control; ASME International Air-Pollution Meeting Theme

The high light of the First International Congress on Air Pollution based on the theme: "A New Frontier—Air-Pollution Control," sponsored by The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, to be held in the Hotel Statler, New York, N. Y., on March 1–2, 1955, will be the presentation of the Calvin W. Rice Lecture by Sir Hugh E. C. Beaver, chairman of the Government Committee of Enquiry investigating the disastrous London, England, smog of 1952 which killed 4000 persons.

The meeting, first of its kind in the world, will be one of the special features celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the Society, which held its first meeting in New York in November, 1880. Since the Donora, Pa., disaster of 1948 and the great London smog of 1952, public interest in the subject of air pollution has grown steadily. The Society, recognizing the need for practical and technical experience to be focused on the problem, formed its Committee on Air-Pollution Controls in 1949.

This activity stemmed from earlier work by an ASME group which culminated in the publication of its model smoke law which forms the basis for most municipal ordinances on the subject.

The 1955 International Congress is further recognition by ASME of the changing trends in the problem. Distinguished experts from all parts of the world will gather in New York to discuss the latest developments in the control of the air-pollution problem.

Technical Program

Among the topic sessions will be "Gaps in Our Knowledge of Air Pollution," discussed from the points of view of engineering, biology, meterology, administration, and effects upon vegetation; also, "The Role of Sulphur Gases in Air Pollution," with speakers on the economics of sulphur, experimental studies of stack gases, and recovery of sulphur in the petroleum, power, iron and steel, and chemical industries.

L. B. Hein of the Tennessee Valley Authority will speak on "Recovery of Sulphur Dioxide From Coal-Combustion Stack Gases: Pilot-Plant Studies of an Ammonia Scrubbing Process." From the British Electricity Authority, R. L. Rees, chief chemist, will discuss "The Removal of Sulphur Dioxide From Power-Plant Stack Gases." A representative of the Freeport Sulphur Company will present a paper on the world supply of sulphur, the exhaustion of which will affect the economic practicability of recovery from stack gases. G. E. Smalley and J. W. Klohr of The Ralph M. Parsons Company, have accepted an assignment on sulphur recovery from hydrogen sulphide-acid gases.

ASME Membership as of October 31, 1954

Honorary Members	56
Fellows	393
Members	14,369
Affiliates	314
Associate Members (33 and over)	3,604
Associate Members (30–32)	3,169
Associate Members (to the age of 29)	17,978
Total	39,883

Hoover Medal Awarded to Alfred P. Sloan, Jr.

At the annual dinner of the American Institute of Consulting Engineers, held October 19, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York, N. Y., Scott Turner, AICE president, presented the Hoover Gold Medal for 1954 to Alfred P. Sloan, Jr.

Mr. Sloan, chairman of the board of General Motors since 1937, and fifteenth recipient of the medal, was honored as:

"Engineer; builder of vast industry, friendly co-ordinator of management and labor; generous supporter of research in economics, education, and medicine; eminent citizen, exemplifying the finest traditions of American free enterprise."

Mr. Sloan is president of the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, which has contributed to a number of colleges and universities. The foundation made possible the Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research, a component of Memorial Cancer Center, of which he is manager.

The Hoover Gold Medal, awarded by engineers "to a fellow engineer for distinguished public service," was founded 25 years ago. It is presented through a Board of Award composed of three representatives of each of the four Founder Societies. The medal was named in honor of Herbert Hoover, Hon. Mem. ASME, who was its first recipient in 1930 while he was President of the United States, on the occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary Meeting of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, held in Washington, D. C., that year.

Mr. Hoover was also a guest of honor at the AICE dinner, at which time he received the Institute's Award of Merit. The award has been made only twice before in the 44-year history of the Institute—in 1952 to C. H. Howe, Hon. Mem. ASME, Minister of Trade and Commerce of Canada, and in 1953 to Vannevar Bush, president of the Carnegie Institution, Washington, D. C.

ASME Casts Ballots for Amendments to Constitution and By-Laws

As reported by the tellers of Amendments to the Constitution, George E. Hagemann, Glenn R. Fryling, and Adolf Ehbrecht, letter ballots received from members of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers were counted on Nov. 10, 1954. The total number of ballots cast was 14,292; of these 115 were thrown out as defective.

	Votes for	*Votes against*	*Not voting*
1 Grant Council Authority to Remit Initiation Fees (Modification of Article C5, Sec. 4)	13,695	452	30
2 Change in Council Organization (Modification of Article C6, Sec. 2, and Article C7, Sec. 4)	13,419	641	117
3 Increase Nominating Committee from 8 to 11 (Modification of Article B7, Par. 1)	10,668	3,379	130

Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., *left*, receives the Hoover medal at the annual dinner of the American Institute of Consulting Engineers, held in New York, N. Y., October 19. Presentation was made by Scott Turner, president AICE.

ERNEST HARTFORD

Ernest Hartford has retired as deputy secretary of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers after 43 years of service to the Society. He will continue to serve the Society in a consulting capacity.

ASME Teams With ECPD to Discuss "First-Five-Years Program" at Cincinnati

The twenty-second annual meeting of Engineers' Council for Professional Development was held at the Hotel Alms, Cincinnati, Ohio, Oct. 28 and 29, 1954. The choice of location had been made in order that members of ECPD and their guests might have an opportunity to observe at firsthand the operation of the plan for the training of young engineers initiated in that city a year ago and popularly known as the first five years of professional development.

The ECPD annual meeting affords opportunity for the presentation and discussion of the reports of ECPD chairman and committees, to conduct the business of the Council and particularly to act upon recommendations of the Education Committee on accreditation of engineering curriculums and programs of the technical-institute type, for the election of officers, for individual committee meetings, and for the association of members of the Council and engineers and educators interested in ECPD.

In addition to the formal program of reports and committee meetings, the social events included two luncheons and a banquet, a women's program, and a visit to the plant of the Cincinnati Milling Machine Company which is celebrating its seventieth anniversary this year.

Social Events

At the luncheon on Thursday, C. A. Harrell, member ASCE, City Manager of Cincinnati, spoke on "Civic Responsibilities of the Engineer." Joseph F. Treon, president, Engineering Society of Cincinnati, welcomed the guests to Cincinnati.

With Col. L. F. Grant (Engineering Insti-

tute of Canada), chairman of ECPD, presiding at the Friday luncheon, Francis J. Curtis, member AIChE, vice-president and director, Monsanto Chemical Company, St. Louis, Mo., delivered an address entitled "What Industry Expects of the Young Engineer in the First Five Years."

The annual dinner, which followed a cocktail hour, was the occasion for the presentation of the annual report of the chairman of ECPD, Col. L. F. Grant. Greetings from Raymond Walters, president, University of Cincinnati, were graciously delivered, and past-chairmen, presidents of participating societies, and representatives of local engineering societies present were recognized by M. D. Hooven, member AIEE, vice-chairman, ECPD, who presided. The address was delivered by James H. Taylor, assistant director for manpower, Office of Defense Mobilization, and director of industrial relations, The Procter and Gamble Company.

Annual Reports of ECPD Committees

The afternoon session on Thursday was given over to the presentation of the annual reports of the standing committees on Guidance, Education, Student Development, Recognition, Ethics, and Information. All reports were preprinted and copies are available.

Friday morning was the occasion of the presentation of the report of the ECPD Training Committee, presented under the title, "A Community Project in Professional Development," by the chairman of the committee, Cornelius Wandmacher, head, department of civil engineering, University of Cincinnati. The pilot project of the Training Committee was instituted at Cincinnati under the guidance of Professor Wandmacher who had been closely associated with the original plan as presented at Cleveland, Ohio, in 1950, by the Committee then headed by A. C. Monteith, Hon. Mem. ASME, vice-president in charge of engineering and research, Westinghouse Electric Corporation. After introductory remarks by Mr. Monteith, by Ernest S. Fields, member AIEE, chairman of the Cincinnati sponsor group, and Walter A. Draper, member ESC, president, Herman Schneider Foundation, Cincinnati, a panel discussion of the subject, "Orientation and Training in Industry as Related to the 'First-Five-Years Program,'" occupied the time remaining before luncheon.

In the afternoon two additional panel discussions, running concurrently, were provided for ECPD members and guests, one on "Engineering Societies and the 'First-Five-Years Program'" and the other on "Engineering Colleges and the 'First-Five-Years Program.'" Later in the afternoon "Community Projects in Professional Development, Present and Projected" were presented by representatives from Detroit, Mich.; Hamilton, Ont., Can.; Atlanta, Ga.; and Tulsa-Bartlesville, Okla.

Officers Elected

The newly elected officers of the Council were announced at the meeting. New titles were adopted at the meeting for the chairman and vice-chairman; in the future the titles will be president and vice-president.

The officers are: L. F. Grant, EIC, president; M. D. Hooven, AIEE, vice-president; S. L. Tyler, AIChE, secretary; and W. N. Carey, ASCE, assistant secretary.

To serve as chairmen of the standing committees of ECPD the following selections were made public: S. Paul Shackleton, Guidance Committee; H. L. Hazen, Education Committee; N. W. Dougherty, Student Development Committee; E. L. Yates, Training Committee; R. G. Warner, Recognition Committee; Scott Turner, Ethics Committee; and J. B. Mellecker, Information Committee.

ASME representatives to the Council include: W. F. Ryan, Henry N. Meixner, and A. C. Monteith.

ASME Calendar of Coming Events

Feb. 16, 1955
The Founding Anniversary Meeting, McGraw-Hill Building, New York, N. Y.
(No formal papers will be presented)

March 23–24, 1955
ASME Management Conference, Hotel Statler, Cleveland, Ohio
(Final date for submitting papers was Nov. 1, 1954)

April 6, 1955
ASME Machine Design Division Conference, as part of the Centennial Celebration, New York University's college of engineering

April 16, 1955
The Organization Anniversary Meeting, Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, N. J.
(No formal papers will be presented)

April 18–21, 1955
Diamond Jubilee Spring Meeting, Lord Baltimore and Southern Hotels, Baltimore, Md.
(Final date for submitting papers was Dec. 1, 1954)

April 25–26, 1955
ASME Instruments and Regulators Conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.
(Final date for submitting papers was Dec. 1, 1954)

June 5–10, 1955
ASME Oil and Gas Power Conference, Hotel Statler, Washington, D. C.
(Final date for submitting papers—Feb. 1, 1955)

June 15–17, 1955
ASME and The Institution of Mechanical Engineers, London, England, Joint Conference on Combustion, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.
(Final date for submitting invited papers was Nov. 1, 1954)

June 16–18, 1955
ASME Applied Mechanics Conference, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y.
(Final date for submitting papers—Feb. 1, 1955)

June 19–23, 1955
Diamond Jubilee Semi-Annual Meeting, Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass.
(Final date for submitting papers—Feb. 1, 1955)

Sept. 12–16, 1955
ASME Instruments and Regulators Division and Instrument Society of America Exhibit and Joint Conference, Los Angeles, Calif.
(Final date for submitting papers—May 1, 1955)

Sept. 25–28, 1955
ASME Petroleum-Mechanical Engineering Conference, Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans, La.
(Final date for submitting papers—May 1, 1955)

Nov. 13–18, 1955
Diamond Jubilee Annual Meeting, Hotel Congress, Chicago, Ill.
(Final date for submitting papers—July 1, 1955)
(For Meetings of Other Societies, see page 1045)

AAAS to Convene in Berkeley, December 28-29

The annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science will hold its annual meeting at the University of California, Berkeley, December 28 and 29.

The Pacific Southwest Section of the American Society for Engineering Education will hold its winter meeting concurrently with AAAS Section M—Engineering on Wednesday, December 29. At a recent meeting of Section M, C. E. Davies, secretary ASME, was re-elected chairman of the Section and vice-president of the AAAS for 1955, by unanimous vote.

The program to be presented by Section M at the annual meeting is as follows:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27

9:30 a.m. Room B45 Dwinelle Hall. THE APPRAISAL OF NATURAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT; Joint session of the AAAS Sections K (Economics) and M (Engineering); program arranged by Section K.

Economics in Cost-Benefit Analysis for Resources Development, *C. V. Wantrup.*

Current Practices in Cost-Benefits—Analysis for Government and Businesses, *M. M. Kelso*

Public Benefits Gained From Engineering in the Development of Natural Resources, *Frank Baron,* University of California, Berkeley, Calif.

2:00 p.m. Room 125 Hilgard Hall. WATER SUPPLY AND IRRIGATION. Joint session of the AAAS Sections O (Agriculture) and M (Engineering).

4:00 p.m. Wheeler Auditorium; AAAS General Symposium 1—RESOURCES AND ENERGY.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

2:00 p.m. Room 113 Haviland Hall. HIGHWAY SAFETY; Joint session of the AAAS Sections I (Psychology) and M (Engineering); program arranged by T. W. Forbes of Section I.

Attitudes of Traffic Violators, *Harry W. Case.*

Visual Factors in Distance Judgment and Legibility, *George E. Mont.*

The Statistics of Accident Records and Accident Proneness, *Wilze B. Webb.*

Effectiveness of Tests for Safe-Fleet Drivers. *Clark L. Wilson.*

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

AAAS Section M, Engineering, will meet with the Pacific Southwest Section of the American Society for Engineering Education.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

9:30 a.m. Room 101 California Hall. Symposium on AIR POLLUTION. Part I. Program developed by Section M (Engineering) and co-sponsored by Sections N (Medicine), O (Agriculture), and C (Chemistry). Arranged by L. B. Hitchcock, University of California, president, Southern California Air-Pollution Foundation. L. B. Hitchcock, president, Southern California Air-Pollution Foundation, *presiding.*

Definition of Air Pollution Today in American Cities. *L. B. Hitchcock,* University of California, Berkeley, Calif.
Discussion Leader, *A. M. Zarem,* Stanford Research Institute, Los Angeles, Calif.

Review of Methods of Analysis and Instrumentation—Available and Needed. *Moyer D. Thomas,* Stanford Research Institute, Stanford, Calif.
Discussion Leader, *Wesley C. Merrill,* Union Oil Company, Placentia, Calif.

Available Methods for the Control of Emissions. *Gordon P. Larson,* director, Los Angeles County Air Pollution Control District; president, Air-Pollution Control Association.
Discussion Leader, *Wayne Sproull,* Western Precipitation Corp., Los Angeles, Calif.

10:00 a.m. Room 145 Dwinelle Hall. STATISTICS IN INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH. Third Symposium on MATHEMATICAL STATISTICS AND PROBABILITY. Joint session of the AAAS Sections A5 and M (Engineering). Arranged by H. Scheffe of Section A5.

Applications of Efficient Experimental Designs to Research. *Cuthbert Daniel*, engineering statistician.

New Results on Inspection Sampling by Variables. *Albert Bowker*, Stanford University.

Statistical Problems of Life-Testing Electronic Equipment. *Milton Sobel*, Bell Telephone Laboratories.

2:00 p.m. Room 101 California Hall. Symposium on AIR POLLUTION, Part 2, Session 2. Program developed by Section M (Engineering) and cosponsored by Sections N (Medicine), O (Agriculture), and C (Chemistry). Arranged by L. B. Hitchcock, University of California, Berkeley. *L. B. Hitchcock*, president, Southern California Air-Pollution Foundation, *presiding*.

Vehicle-Combustion Products and Possible Remedies. *W. L. Faith*, Southern California Air-Pollution Foundation.
Discussion Leader, *Lawrence J. Grunder*, Richfield Oil Company, Los Angeles.

Response of Plants to Air Pollution. *John Middleton*, University of California, Riverside, Calif.
Discussion Leader, *Frits W. Went*, Earhart Laboratories, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California.

Public-Health Implications of Air Pollution. *John J. Phair*, The Kettering Laboratories, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Scientific Manpower

The fourth Conference on Scientific Manpower, sponsored by the National Science Foundation, the National Research Council, the Engineering Manpower Commission, the Scientific Manpower Commission, and Section M—Engineering of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, will be held at the University of California in Berkeley, Calif., Dec. 28–29.

The first session of the conference will be on "Implications of the Findings of the Commission on Human Resources and Advanced Training." Papers will be presented by Lee A. DuBridge, California Institute of Technology; Conrad Taeuber, Bureau of the Census, and Ralph Tyler, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, on the implications as they affect the natural sciences, social sciences, and science teaching, respectively. The second session will deal with "Prospective Developments in Utilization of Scientists and Engineers." Raymond Ewell, National Science Foundation, and A. L. Lyman, California Research Corporation, will present papers on the "Estimated Volume of Research and Development Expenditures in 1955 by Government and Industry." Other papers will be presented on "Selective-Service and Military-Reserve Developments."

Scientific Editorial Problems

The third conference on Scientific Editorial Problems will be held December 29 and 30. This conference is a permanent feature of the annual meeting of the AAAS. This year, for the first time, multiple sessions will be held. All sessions will be held in Room 125, Hilgard Hall, on the campus of the University of California at Berkeley. Marian Fineman, chief, editorial branch, Dugway Proving Ground, Dugway, Utah, is chairman.

The program is divided into four sessions, the first three of which, to be presented on Wednesday, cover the preparation of technical manuals for complex instruments, effective technical writing, and scientific journals. The fourth session, scheduled for Thursday, is devoted to the problems of military and industrial technical reports and is cosponsored by the Technical Publishing Society.

At presentation of Standards Engineers Society award to The Honorable Herbert Hoover are, *left to right*, Stan Zwerling, Armed Services Electro Standards Agency, chairman of SES Awards Committee; Mr. Hoover; Madhu S. Gokhale, RCA Victor Division, SES vice-president; W. L. Healy, General Electric Company, SES president; Herbert G. Arlt, Bell Telephone Laboratories, chairman, New York Section; Vice-Admiral G. F. Hussey, Jr., USN, Ret., managing director, American Standards Association, who was also honored.

Standardization Saves American Taxpayers Millions, ASME Member Discloses

American taxpayers were saved $65 million during the first six months of 1954, due to use of standards by the military services. This statement was made by R. V. Vittucci, Mem. ASME, standardization planning engineer of the U. S. Navy Department's Bureau of Ships, at the third annual meeting of the Standards Engineers Society. The meeting was held October 1 and 2 at Haddon Hall, Atlantic City, N. J.

By using standard parts in accordance with industrial practice wherever possible, Mr. Vittucci said, 45,000 unnecessary items were eliminated from the Supply System of the Defense Department from January through June, 1954. This resulted in a saving of 120,000 cu ft of storage space and 400,000 man-hours.

Mr. Vittucci called attention to new regulations issued in September that will increase Government economies by encouraging greater co-operation between Government and industry. These regulations make it possible for Government representatives to participate with industry representatives in developing standards used by both industry and Government, thus bringing industry and Government practices more nearly in line with each other.

International interchangeability is essential for improvement of world markets, Howard Coonley, Affiliate ASME, vice-president, Research Corporation, New York, N. Y., declared at the society's afternoon session on International Standardization and American Industry. "World peace cannot be attained on a sentimental basis or by hoping for it," he said. "World peace is only possible if you can find a means of interchanging goods and services on a basis profitable to all. The work of members of this organization is a big step toward that goal."

Confirming Mr. Coonley's emphasis on the importance of standards in world trade, Vice-Admiral G. F. Hussey, Jr., ASA managing director, declared that American industry should work to bring about greater acceptance of American Standards in other countries where standardization is not yet far advanced. This is necessary, he said, if U. S. goods are to hold their own in world markets. He cited a trend toward use of German standards in Latin America.

Money value is the key to management's acceptance of standards, H. Thomas Hallowell, Jr., president, Standard Pressed Steel Company, declared. He spoke on the place of standardization in management. From his own experience he showed how profits can be increased by eliminating the cost of making "specials." In times of depression or recession, standards-consciousness keeps men at work and provides economies that help break the effect of low production, he declared.

The Saturday morning session heard M. A. Williamson, manager, Research Division, Burroughs Corporation, describe the methods of setting up and operating a materials department. Skill in public relations is the most important tool for the head of the materials department, he said, since a materials department is called upon to provide information that in many cases is not readily available.

New Atomic-Energy Law AIF Conference Keynote

At a two-day conference sponsored by the Atomic Industrial Forum in New York, N. Y., September 27–28, more than 500 businessmen and industrial-research specialists studied the new atomic-energy law and discussed what it means to industry. Sessions on investment opportunities, forecasts by companies operating in the field, industry-government partnership, labor, and insurance were some of the topics which made up a full program.

Atomic-Energy Law

Included in the meeting were descriptions and interpretations of the recently-enacted atomic-energy law. Former AEC general counsel Everett Hollis, now of General Electric Company in New York pointed out that the new atomic-energy law affords private industry a larger role in the development of atomic energy and provides a framework for a greater degree of co-operation with other nations in the field of atomic energy (see pp. 995–998 of this issue).

Bennett Boskey of the law firm of Volpe, Boskey & Skallerup, spoke on the patent provisions of the Act. A basic change is that fissionable material, termed "special nuclear material" in the new Act, has been restored to the patent system. He said that this development along with other provisions of the Act makes it possible for private enterprise, pursuant to a licensing system administered by the AEC, to invest in and to own and operate facilities in the field of production of special nuclear material and of power.

Investment Problems and Opportunities

Armand G. Erpf of Carl M. Loeb, Rhoades & Company, in discussing investment problems, suggested the following curbs: When speaking of atomic energy and its possible future applications, scientists should strongly emphasize the uncertain time factor; in preparing annual reports industrialists should, without betraying secrets, give some idea as to the amount of money and number of men required in atomic-energy programs, together with the prospects for making an economic return; and that the AEC should decide how much can be told about the purely financial aspects of atomic energy.

What Industry Sees Ahead

A high light of the two-day meeting was a description of industry's outlook for the future in atomic energy under the new law by representatives of leading atomic facility and equipment manufacturers.

Eugene B. Hotchkiss, vice-president of the Vitro Corporation of America, said, "Our company recognizes that the new law brings industry a responsibility as well as an opportunity. We are doing our best to shoulder our part of that responsibility. We hope to share in equal measure in the opportunity."

Walter E. Kingston, general manager of the Atomic Energy Division of Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., said his firm was confident that low-cost power produced by means of atomic energy will become a reality within the next five to ten years because of progress now being made in the development of nuclear fuels and components of atomic reactors.

John W. Landis of The Babcock & Wilcox Company reported that his organization is devoting a significant portion of its facilities and resources to atomic-energy work. While the new Act has certain patent defects and administrative cumbersomeness, it is a long step in the right direction. He expressed the belief that within the next year his company would be prepared to quote firm prices on four types of reactors and he predicted that four or five companies will initiate power-reactor projects within the next two years.

John R. Menke of Nuclear Development Associates, Inc., discussing industry activity in the field of international atomic energy, declared that peacetime atomic power, as an instrument of foreign policy, has a good-will value almost without equal. Industrialized nations, with a little assistance from the United States, could build and operate their reactors; the less-developed countries will require that means be found to export not only technology but also the capital to pay for the new assets.

Concluding the discussion of the meaning of the new atomic law to industry, Arthur V. Peterson of American Machine & Foundry Company, stated that the law provides a basis for planning programs for analysis and consideration by company management.

Industry-Government Partnership

T. Keith Glennan, former atomic-energy commissioner, now president of Case Institute of Technology, described the new industry-government partnership in atomic energy. He said, . . . "What the Government does in the area of information dissemination will to a large extent indicate whether it regards its new associate—industry—as a true partner or something much less. . . In practice, I think the Commission must now permit people outside of its own program who are not security risks to have access to the classified information which they will need to educate themselves in atomic energy and to undertake projects which they—and not necessarily the Government—will consider to be worth while, and on which they—and not the Government—will risk the money. Furthermore, I believe the Government must permit these people, if they wish, to exchange classified information among themselves without going through Government channels and without first having to secure the approval of the Government."

Actions of the ASME Executive Committee

At a Meeting at Headquarters, October 20, 1954

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Council was held in the rooms of the Society on Oct. 20, 1954. L. K. Sillcox, chairman, presided. In addition to Mr. Sillcox there were present: Thompson Chandler, A. C. Pasini, and W. F. Thompson of the Committee; Joseph Pope, chairman, Finance Committee; E. J. Kates, assistant treasurer; D. W. R. Morgan, president-elect; H. R. Kessler, vice-president; R. B. Lea, director; C. E. Davies, secretary; O. B. Schier, 2nd, assistant secretary; and T. A. Marshall, Jr., administrative assistant.

New Members

Four members of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers have been elected to membership in the ASME. Under the reciprocal arrangement with AIEE, the committee authorized reduction of dues payment by the new members.

1954 Dues-Exempt Members

As of Sept. 30, 1954, 73 members of the Society became dues-exempt, having paid dues for 35 years and having reached the age of 65 years. Also 118 who purchased life membership are now members of the "Old Guard." It was reported that a number of letters had been received from these members of the Old Guard expressing appreciation and thanks.

Registration-Fee Increase

The Committee approved an increase in the nonmember registration fee for the Spring, Semi-Annual, and Fall Meetings from $3 to $5, and for the Annual Meeting from $5 to $10.

1954 Machine-Tool Awards

The National Machine Tool Builder. Association withdrew its Machine Tool Design and Economic Value Awards after the ASME had solicited papers for these awards. Accordingly, the Committee voted to confer two awards, to be known as the 1954 ASME Machine Tool Awards on the following: First award to George N. Levesque, Mem. ASME, director of research, Brown and Sharpe Manufacturing Company, Providence, R. I., for his paper, "Testing Methods for Production of Accurate Machine Slideways"; and second award to Frank G. East, Mem. ASME, general manager, Hamilton Gear and Machine Company, Ltd., Toronto, Ont., Can., for his paper, "Proposal for a Standard Design for General Industrial Coarse-Pitch Cylindrical Worm Gearing."

Additional 1954 Awards

The following awards were approved:

Charles T. Main Award to John N. Pendergrass, Jr., Assoc. Mem. ASME, Southern Methodist University, Texas, for his paper, "The Engineer in Business and Industry."

Undergraduate Student Award (posthumously) to Raymond W. Lloyd, Jr., Newark College of Engineering, Belleville, N. J., for his paper, "Automatic Feeding to 1500-Ton Drawing Presses."

Mechanical-Engineering Film

Upon recommendation of the Seventy-Fifth

Anniversary Committee, the Executive Committee voted to approve the preparation of a motion picture to explain the role of mechanical engineering in the development of this country.

New Section

Section status for the Mid-Hudson Subsection of the Metropolitan Section was authorized.

Williston Award

Arthur L. Williston, a member of the Society for 58 years and an active leader, presented to the Executive Committee the deed of gift and securities for the "Arthur L. Williston Medal and Award." Under the terms of the deed of gift, the Society "shall grant at regular intervals, as far as practical, a Medal and Award to be known as the Arthur L. Williston Medal for 'Fostering Civic Service' which shall be given to successfully competing student or junior engineer in accord with the conditions set forth."

The Executive Committee voted to accept the deed of gift and to request the Board on Honors to set up the necessary procedure to administer the award.

Certificates of Award

Certificates of Award were granted to the following retiring chairmen of Sections: F. M. Staszesky, Boston; R. M. Meyer, Hartford; J. P. Heumann, Fairfield County; Norman Wilson, Worcester; Herbert Dobkin, Plainfield; Harry Knecht, Metropolitan; R. S. Sherwood, Northern New Jersey Subsection; J. M. Crone, Southern Tier; R. B. Mentzer, Susquehanna; C. C. Franck, Philadelphia; M. L. Baxter, Jr., Rochester; Edward Van Wagenen, Florida; A. C. Keiser, Jr., Birmingham; E. A. Rogers, Chattanooga; M. T. Delabar, Piedmont-Carolina; F. C. Kreitler, Jr., Erie; M. L. Smith, Columbus; D. D. Panabaker, Ontario; A. B. Heiberg, Akron; H. E. Frech, Jr., St. Louis; E. P. Hansen, Milwaukee; Harry Schonberg, Central Indiana; J. L. Wilkins, Nebraska; H. J. Stone, San Diego; M. W. Carbon, Columbia Basin; R. W. Beach, Western Washington; and R. W. Bice, New Mexico.

Certificates were also granted to the following retiring members of the 1954 Nominating Committee: R. S. Stover, chairman; A. C. Crownfield, Jr., S. B. Sexton, 3rd, S. T. Johnson, and C. A. Stevens. K. P. Hanson, 1953 secretary, also received a certificate.

Other certificates were awarded to T. W. Bostwick, chairman, Florida Section, 1952–1953; and to L. L. Amidon, retiring chairman of Region VI, Student Branch Committee.

ECPD Report

Annually ASME representatives on ECPD submit a formal report at the annual meeting of ECPD. The Executive Committee voted to approve the 1954 formal report of the ASME representatives for presentation at the ECPD annual meeting on Oct. 28–29, 1954, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Report on Science Teachers

The Engineers Joint Council on Sept. 17, 1954, voted to recommend to its constituent bodies that they transmit to their local sections for action the Joint Report on High-School Teachers of Science of the Engineering Manpower Commission and the Scientific Manpower Commission. The EJC suggested that in the letter to the sections transmitting the report, emphasis be given to the following:

1 Engineers as professional people are vitally concerned about the quality and quantity of mathematics and science instruction that young people receive in their formative years;

2 Task outline in report can be handled only at the local level;

3 This is an excellent opportunity for the sections to make an important community contribution; and

4 The Engineering Manpower Commission of EJC is an excellent source of pertinent information not contained in the report.

The ASME Executive Committee voted to authorize the Secretary to mail to the sections the EMC-SMC Joint Committee Report on High-School Teachers of Science.

Benjamin Franklin Anniversary

At a previous meeting the Committee authorized participation in the 250th Anniversary Celebration of the birth of Benjamin Franklin. The Engineers Club of Philadelphia requested that a resolution be adopted by ASME for inclusion in the 1955 brochure on "Plan for the Celebration of the 250th Anniversary of the Birth of Benjamin Franklin." The resolution regarding the Society's participation in this celebration was approved.

Use of Society Emblem

The Society has received a request from the Dean of Engineering, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa., asking permission to reproduce the emblem of the Society on a decorative terra-cotta strip to be used on the new engineering building at the University. This strip will include the seals of six engineering societies. Permission was granted for the use of the Society emblem for this purpose.

Appointments

The Committee voted to approve the appointments on Boards, Committees, and Joint Activities, made by the Organizations Committee at its meeting on Oct. 19, 1954. (Note: A list of these appointments may be found in ASME Annual AC-10, Personnel of Council, Boards, and Committees, to be issued in February, 1955.)

Presidential Appointments

The following presidential appointments were confirmed:

William F. Ryan to EJC-ECPD Committee on Practice of Engineering.

A. M. Lederer; alternates, S. E. Reimel, R. S. Aries, to Pan-American Federation of Engineering Societies (UPADI), São Paulo, Brazil, Aug. 2–6, 1954.

Ben G. Elliott, vice-president, to Fiftieth Anniversary Dinner of Engineers Society of Milwaukee, Oct. 19, 1954.

Engineering Societies Personnel Service, Inc.

THESE items are from information furnished by the Engineering Societies Personnel Service, Inc., in co-operation with the national societies of Civil, Electrical, Mechanical, and Mining and Metallurgical Engineers. This Service is available to all engineers, members, or nonmembers and is operated on a nonprofit basis.

In applying for positions advertised by the Service, the applicant agrees, if actually placed in a position through the Service as a result of an advertisement, to pay a placement fee in accordance with the rates as listed by the Service. These rates have been established in order to maintain an efficient nonprofit personnel service and are available upon request. This also applies to registrant members whose availability notices appear in these columns. Apply by letter, addressed to the key number indicated, and mail to the New York office.

When making application for a position include six cents in stamps for forwarding application to the employer and for returning when necessary. A weekly bulletin of engineering positions open is available at a subscription of $3.50 per quarter or $12 per annum for members, $4.50 per quarter for nonmembers, payable in advance.

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Men Available[1]

Mechanical Engineer, 34, BSME, single; eight years' experience in varied background of product design, piping, and heating and ventilating; supervision of design and installation. Free to travel. Desires project engineering in North. Me-149.

Mechanical-Industrial Engineer, BSME, 29; time study, MTM, incentive installation, cost estimating, analysis, precision radar, ordnance, similar items in metalworking plant; presently senior cost estimator. Desires position with future. Me-150.

Mechanical Engineer, 37, currently project engineer with major materials-handling and pump-manufacturing company; desires position that can profit from 15 years of extensive administrative and engineering background. Me-151.

Mechanical Engineer, BSME; 25; married; over four years' diversified experience in product design, tool design, production planning and con-

[1] All men listed hold some form of ASME membership.

trol, and liaison engineering. Draft exempt. Will relocate. Me-152.

Executive Engineer, 53, registered; heavy experience in administration, consulting, product development, and industrial engineering. Ability to make decisions and get things done. Will relocate. Now in Pittsburgh area. Me-153.

Mechanical Engineer, BME, MSME; Tau Beta Pi; 28; single; three and three-fourths years' diversified experience, experimental and analytical stress analysis, some vibrations, thermodynamics, heat transfer. Desires foreign employment with opportunity. Me-154.

Mechanical Engineer, MSME; 20 years' diversified experience in machine, product and device design and development (patents). Broad knowledge of modern controls, commercial components, and manufacturing methods. Foreign languages. Held supervisory positions. Me-155-15-Chicago.

Assistant Chief Engineer, Patent and Development, 13 years' experience in machinery, metal-working, metal trades. Seeks small or medium-sized growing concern. Presently plant engineer; registered mechanical-industrial. Prefers suburban Pa. or rural New England. Me-156.

Mechanical Engineer, 39; MME, PE, 17 years' top experience product design, development, and manufacture machinery: electro-mechanical, servos, hydraulic; administration engineering department; plant engineering and operation. Desires position as management or design executive. Prefers New York, N. Y. Me-157.

Chief or Assistant Chief Engineer, 32, married; BSME, registered in Ohio; one and one-half years plant engineer; three and one-half years supervising, programming, and planning engineering work, plus design review, specifications, procedures, budgets, and tests. Prefers West Coast or mountain states. Me-150-1014-D-San Francisco.

Positions Available

Assistant to President, mechanical graduate, 40–45, machine-shop manufacturing experience as well as design and development of light machinery. Position requires tact in co-ordinating engineering as well as manufacturing and shop activities since successful applicant will almost immediately take over the president's responsibilities. $12,000 plus. Conn. W-269. Rewritten.

Professor and Head of Mechanical-Engineering Department, graduate mechanical, doctor's degree, under 40, industrial and/or research experience, for newly organized mechanical-engineering department in an eastern college. Some consulting work possible. Salary open. East. W-514.

Chief Development Engineer, graduate, experienced in pulp and paper manufacturing and the application of pulp and paper-mill machinery and equipment to the manufacturing processes. This position requires the originating of ideas, procedures, and methods in the design and development of machinery. $7000–$8000. New England. W-528.

Engineers. (a) General sales manager, graduate engineer, for a medium-sized fabricator of pipe-expansion joints and steel fabricators of heat exchangers and other process equipment. Must have had some direct selling experience. Will co-ordinate operation of eight district offices and 40-odd sales agencies; co-ordinate advertising, sales-promotional literature, etc. About $15,000, with overriding bonuses based on new profits. (b) Engineer, graduate mechanical, or chemical. 28–40, for a medium-sized fabricator of pipe-expansion joints and steel fabricators of heat exchangers and other process equipment, to work up to chief engineer. Must be able to create thoughts and designs which have some sound basis and which can be manufactured economically. $10,000–$14,000, to start. Upstate New York. W-543.

Assistant Sales Manager and District Sales Manager, under 40, graduate engineers, sales experience covering hydraulic equipment, paper mill machinery, valves, hoists, presses, and heavy steel products. $8000–$12,000. Assistant Sales Manager, Ore.; District Manager, New York, N. Y. W-553.

Design Engineer, mechanical graduate, at least ten years' design and layout experience covering rotating machines. $7000–$10,000. N. J. W-561(b).

Works Manager, plant with 1200 employees fabricating heavy sheet metal and castings. Substantial company located in central region. $25,000. W-563.

General Manager, 35–50, for capital goods manufacturer. Manufacturing and engineering strengths are sought rather than sales. May now be employed in the engine, heat-exchanger, pump-compressor, or related industry. $30,000. Chicago area. W-564.

Executive Vice-President for a very large manufacturer of heavy mill, chemical, and other equipment of both special and standard design. Unusual opportunity. $50,000. Midwest. W-565.

Industrial Engineers, under 32, graduates, training in industrial engineering, at least four years' experience, and (d), (e), and (f) are limited to a total of two years. (a) Time standards; (b) manufacturing methods; (c) materials handling; (d) systems and procedures (manufacturing); (e) organization and planning; (f) statistical quality control. $5000–$7500. Traveling 40 to 50 per cent of time. Headquarters, East or Midwest. W-570.

Administrative Engineer, 30–40, graduate, broad background in mechanical, chemical, and electrical-engineering practices, for work along the lines of testing, research, and development. $9000–$12,000. N. J. W-589(a).

Director, Engineering and Design, 42–50, ME degree; must have broad background in heavy-machine designing, plus an excellent understanding of machine-tools and shop problems. Will be responsible for the effective planning and direction of all engineering and design functions. $18,000–$20,000. Large eastern city. W-600.

Production-Planning Manager, 35–50, ME graduate; must be an expert in production planning. Background with a management-consulting firm would be acceptable, provided that in the candidate's career he has had line experience where leadership qualities have been evidenced. About $20,000. Midwest. W-603.

Standards Manager, 35–50, preferably a degree in industrial engineering or equivalent, six to eight years' experience including processing, methodizing, and establishing of standards in the field of press and screw machines, heavy and light machines, heat-treating, and metal finishing. Will be responsible for establishing proper standards by methods-time measurement or stop watch; responsible for gathering and analyzing manufacturing information, including methods, work-plan layouts, and materials; supervise analyzing of manufacturing operations by applying the principles of motion economy and work simplifications, etc. Salary open. Midwest. W-623.

Assistant or Associate Professor, not over 45, at least a BS degree in either mechanical or industrial engineering, to take charge of shop laboratories and all course work in this field. Should be thoroughly familiar with nearly all phases of metal processing and fabrication and be capable of getting ideas across to students. Salary and rank will depend on education and practical experience. Position starts Feb. 1, 1955. East. W-634.

Director of Engineering, 40–50, to take complete charge of a large engineering department in the electronic-device and aviation-instrument field. $20,000–$25,000. East. W-638.

Instructor or Assistant Professor, mechanical-engineering department. Should have an interest in the field of thermodynamics, heat power, and a flair for internal-combustion engines. Rank and salary will depend upon education and experience. Midwest. W-643.

Chief Methods Engineer, 35–45, preferably some job-shop experience. Must be thoroughly conversant with standards, operation-sheet writing, time study, and tooling for company manufacturing medium-sized machinery. $7500–$8000. Conn. W-658.

Industrial Management Engineer, degree preferred, minimum of ten years' experience covering production and management phases of industry. Some consulting experience is required. Must be willing to go to Europe for minimum assignment of two years. To $15,000. W-661-D-9686.

Product Manager, mechanical-engineering graduate, experienced in design, administration, and industrial sales, to manage and direct the design engineering, sales, and service of a product in the power-transmission field. Will handle sales-promotional activities, matters of guarantee, pricing, and service of this product and particularly to supervise general engineering design and adaptations as required. About $10,000, plus incentive. Md. W-667.

Chief Engineer to take engineering charge of plant at executive level. Must have both administrative ability and engineering skill to operate department efficiently. Company manufactures processing equipment for dairy and food industries. Salary open. Pa. W-671.

Chief Engineer, 40–50, mechanical or electrical graduate, at least ten years' design and development experience covering electromechanical devices, synchros, slip-ring assemblies, etc. $15,000–$20,000. New England. W-674.

Project Engineer, 30–40, mechanical or chemical graduate, furnace-melting and process-industry experience, to take charge of design, development, and installation of metallurgical and manufacturing equipment. $6500–$8000. N. J. W-675.

Market Analyst, 35–45, mechanical-engineering graduate, to make market surveys. Must have sales, application, and market-survey experience. Considerable traveling. $8000–$10,000. Headquarters, New York, N. Y. W-682.

General Superintendent, under 50, to take over complete operating responsibilities of a modern, mechanized, high-volume, mass-production gray and malleable foundry. East. W-695.

Staff Engineer, 30–40, should have had several years' experience with a well-operated industrial-engineering department in the metals industry or a management firm. Some experience in heavy industry helpful. Should have experience in MTM, preferably with a certificate. Considerable traveling, but home usually on week-ends. $7000–$9000. Headquarters, New York, N. Y. W-696.

Machine Designer, from five to ten years' experience on small light machinery. Must assume responsibility for his own designs. $7000–$8000. Conn. W-697.

Development Engineer, graduate mechanical, from three to 20 years' experience in hydraulics and general developmental work in small mechanisms. Work in small-quantity production. Should have some creative ability. $6000–$9000. East. W-698.

Maintenance and Chief Engineer, engineering degree, 30–45, at least five years' experience in oil-refinery maintenance and construction and acquainted with Minnesota climate. Will take charge of all maintenance and engineering activity of new refinery including equipment for crude distillation, delayed coking, thermal catalytic cracking, hydrodesulphurization, and ultraforming. $10,000–$12,000. Minn. C-2308.

Manufacturing Executive, mechanical graduate, 35–45, at least five years' experience in heavy machining, welding, and fabricating heavy-metal products. Knowledge of production and modern management. Will supervise 35 foremen, most of whom are ten to twenty-year employees, in manufacturing heavy equipment such as lift trucks, including welding, electrical assemblies, machining, and floor-assembly operations. Company manufactures materials-handling equipment. $9000–$15,000, depending upon experience. Employer will negotiate fee. Chicago, Ill. C-2315.

Mechanical Engineer, graduate, to supervise design and preparation of drawings for heating, ventilating, and air-conditioning work and air, water, and oil-piping systems specializing in hydro plants. Must have good appearance; be capable of presenting and discussing work and to supervise work of others. $7200–$10,600. For consulting firm on hydro plant work. Chicago, Ill. C-2330.

Design and Development Engineer, at least three years' experience required in design and development of industrial gas and oil boilers, 20 to 600-hp. Salary open depending upon experience and ability. Southwest Mich. C-2343.

Plant Manager, graduate mechanical or electrical engineer, to 45, at least five years' experience in radio and television industry. Will be in complete charge of all maintenance, production, and material control, quality control, inspection of large radio and television plant. No actual manufacturing; all assembly operations; plant employs 1000. $16,000. Chicago, Ill., suburb. C-2371.

Utilities Engineer, BS in electrical or mechanical engineering, or equivalent studies, 30–40, three to five years' experience with utility rates and rate analysis or other experience with a public utility providing knowledge of practices useful in exerting rate contracts. Studies light, power, heat, and water bills of large users, makes analyses, recommendations, and reports. Will work under registered engineer. $5200–$7020. San Francisco, Calif. S-249.

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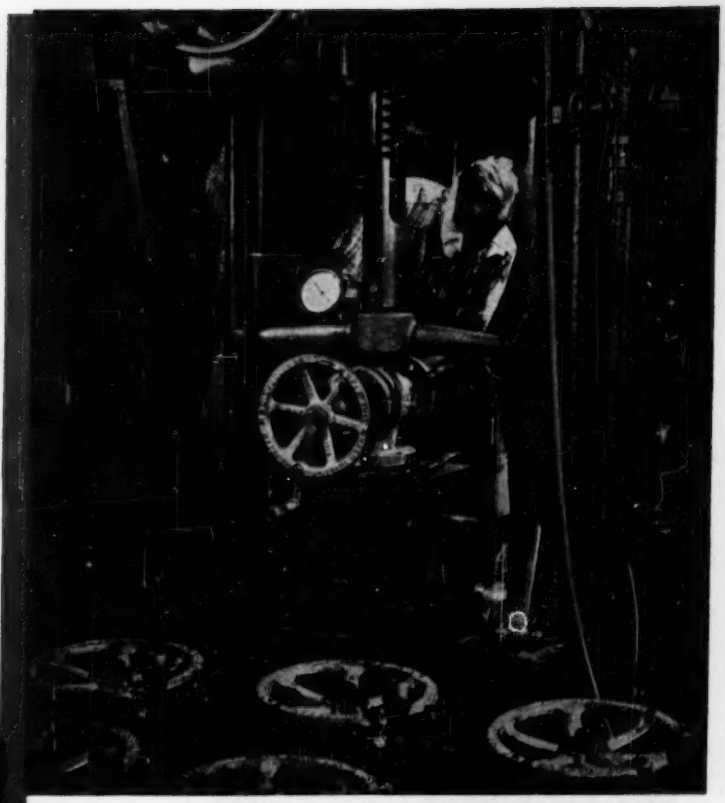

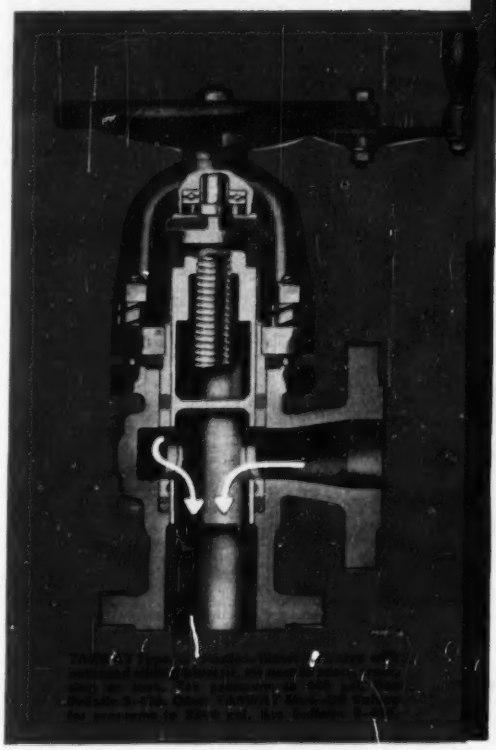

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Candidates for Membership and Transfer in the ASME

THE application of each of the candidates listed below is to be voted on after Dec. 24, 1954, provided no objection thereto is made before that date and provided satisfactory replies have been received from the required number of references. Any member who has either comments or objections should write to the Secretary of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers immediately.

Key to Abbreviation

R = Re-election; Rt = Reinstatement; Rt & T = Reinstatement and Transfer to Member

New Applications

For Member, Associate Member, or Affiliate

BACKUS, WALTER E., Spokane, Wash.
BAKER, KEMPER W., St. Cloud, Seine, France
BARRETT, JACK R., Baltimore, Md.
BAUER, H. G., Pennington, N. J.
BEAVER, MARSHALL E., Worth, Ill.
BELLAK, SEYMOUR, Manchester, Conn.
BLUMFELDT, WALDEMAR G., JR., West Hartford Conn.
BOYER, ROBERT P., Glen Burnie, Md.
BRICKWEDDE, FERDINAND G., Washington, D. C.
BROWN, BYRON R., JR., Wilmington, Del.
BROWN, JAMES R., Butler, Pa.
BUSTAMANTE, SANTIAGO J., Los Alamos, N. Mex.
CAMERON, MORTIMER B., Wilmerding, Pa.
CANTWELL, GUY D., Dallas, Texas
CHASE, CARLTON E., Schenectady, N. Y.
CHERRY, HARVEY A., JR., Houston, Texas
CHRISTENSEN, JOHN G., Mount Vernon, N. Y.
CLARK, WILLIAM R., Chattanooga, Tenn.
CORTEN, HERBERT T., Urbana, Ill.
COUGHLIN, JOHN J., JR., Teaneck, N. J.
CRAMER, CARL A., Kensington, Md.
DAVIS, HARRY C., 3RD, Wilmington, Del.
DESHAZO, MYRON G., JR., Birmingham, Ala.
DODD, GERALD D., Martinsville, N. J.
DYSON, JAMES W., Honolulu, T. H.
EATON, EARL L., Kokomo, Ind.
ETEMAD, GHOLAM A., Buffalo, N. Y.
EUBANKS, ROBERT A., Flushing, N. Y.
FOLKERS, ROBERT A., Peoria, Ill.
FULTZ, CHARLES W., Omaha, Neb.
GARDINER, JOHN C., JR., Stamford, Conn.
GERTSON, DONALD K., Los Alamos, N. Mex.
GRAHAM, ROBERT L., Moline, Ill.
GRIESING, HAROLD C., Rockville, Conn.
GROSS, WILLIAM A., Ames, Iowa
GROSSKETTLER, JOHN J., Wallington, N. J.
HAMILL, CHALMERS, JR., Chicago, Ill.
HARDY, HORACE W., Catonsville, Md.
HASENBERG, EUGENE H., Morton Grove, Ill.
HAUBLER, LELAND M., Erie, Mich.
HEMPHILL, WADE O., Corning, N. Y.
HENDERSON, ROBERT A., Akron, Ohio
HENRY, JOHN M., Milton, Mass.
HIGBEE, LESTER C., Troy, N. Y.
HODSON, PETER, Wellsville, N. Y.
HOEY, GEORGE C., Greenville, Pa.
HOTSFIELD, WILLIAM A., Minneapolis, Minn.
HOWARD, JAMES T., Booneville, Mo.
HUFFAKER, PHILIP A., Signal Mountain, Tenn.
HULME, WILLIAM N., San Francisco, Calif.
JANVIER, PIERRE C., Woodstock, Md.
JAYCOX, CLINTON A., Detroit, Mich.
JETHANANDANI, HEMRAJ H., Ballarpur, M. P., India
JUDD, EDMOND H., Plantsville, Conn.
KNAPP, JOHN W., Orange, N. J.
KELLY, VINCENT P., Richland, Wash.
KORN, RICHARD F., Charlotte, N. C.
KRAUSE, HANS W., Summit, N. J.
LANDSMAN, HENRY, Scranton, Pa.
LEAF, LEROY R., Los Alamos, N. Mex.
LEE, HAROLD C., Richland, Wash.
LEISSA, ARTHUR W., Floral Park, L. I., N. Y.
LIGHT, JOHN L., Chattanooga, Tenn.
LIKENS, PERCY O., Erwin, Tenn.
LINTVEDT, HALVARD, Kalamazoo, Mich.
LOUGH, JACK S., Richmond, Va.
LYND, BURNHAM E., Moss Point, Miss.
MACCONKEY, LYSANDER H., Rock Island, Ill.
MARIEN, LOUIS P., Hyde Park, N. Y.
MCCLEARY, GAIL P., Chesterland, Ohio
MERRILL, KARL R., Salt Lake City, Utah
MOORE, CLINTON C., West Lynn, Mass.
MORRILL, WILLIAM K. P., Mobile, Ala.
MULHOLLAND, WILLIAM J., Trenton, Mich.
MURPHY, JAMES W., No. Syracuse, N. Y.
NELSON, GERALD N., Steilacoom, Wash.
NELSON, THOMAS, JR., Los Angeles, Calif.
NIXON, FORREST D., JR., Pensacola, Fla.
OBERG, ARCHIE Q., Glendale, Mo.
OTTMAN, ALLEN H., Ridgewood, N. J.
PARKER, CHARLES W., Marshall, Texas
PENIDO, DOMINGOS N., Harrison, N. J.
PLANTHOLT, ALBERT H., Baltimore, Md.
PRESTON, DELBERT H., Oak Park, Ill.
QUINN, JOHN J., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
ROBERTS, ELBERT M., JR., Pensacola, Fla.
RUHLAND, EDWARD A., Union City, N. J.
SALTER, RICHARD G., Columbus, Ohio
SCHATTENBERG, JOHN W., San Antonio, Texas
SCHERR, HARVEY M., Anderson, S. C.
SEIDEL, ROBERT S., Elkhart, Ind.
SHELBY, A. JOHN, Rochester, N. Y.
SHIGLEY, JOSEPH E., Clemson, S. C.
SHROYER, FREDERICK E., Atlanta, Ga.
SHULMAN, MURRAY, Brooklyn, N. Y.
SHUR, VICTOR, Middletown, Ohio
SMILEY, LLOYD G., Hicksville, N. Y.
SMITH, CHARLES W., Baltimore, Md.
SOBALA, DANIEL, South Hadley, Mass.
SOCOLOFSKY, ARTHUR R., Chicago, Ill.
STEVENS, LAWTON T., Shreveport, La.
SWAIN, ALFRED G., Trenton, N. J.
TATTERSALL, WILLIAM L., Charleston, W. Va.
THOMPSON, ROY T., Houston, Texas
TROUP, COLIN, Sutton, Surrey, England
TRUNDLE, ROBERT C., Cleveland, Ohio
VINSON, ARTHUR F., New York, N. Y.
WADDELL, JOSEPH A., Holden, Mass.
WILLIAMSON, ROBERT B., JR., Aldan, Pa.
WILLS, ROBERT B., Baltimore, Md.
WITTERS, AMBROSE G., Batesville, Ind.
WOODWARD, DONALD W., S. Pasadena, Calif.
WU, WEN, New York, N. Y.
WULF, RICHARD P., Chillicothe, Ohio
YEARGAN, ROBERT D., Chattanooga, Tenn.
ZIERING, MARVIN B., Milwaukee, Wis.

Change in Grading

Transfers to Member or Affiliate

BROMFIELD, BURTON A., Weston, Mass.
BROWNLEE, JOHN A., Edmonton, Alta., Can.
BRUNNER, MATHIAS J., Broomall, Pa.
COX, JAMES E., Washington, D. C.
CRISSMAN, HARRY U., Dallas, Texas
DAVIS, HOWARD C., Columbus, Ohio
DOAR, FRANK G., Birmingham, Ala.
EDWARDS, AUSTIN S., JR., Ridgewood, N. J.
EDWARDS, LEO M., Hamden, Conn.
EDWARDS, THEODORE W., Fair Haven, N. J.
EVANS, JOHN G., JR., Toledo, Ohio
FULCHER, JOHN H., City View, Ottawa, Ont., Can.
FURCHGOTT, ARTHUR C., JR., Coral Gables, Fla.
GERARD, GEORGE, Yonkers, N. Y.
GRUNDITZ, DONALD W., La Crosse, Wis.
HEYWARD, THEODORE C., JR., Charlotte, N. C.
HOWARD, EDGAR S., St. Paul, Minn.
HURD, RICHARD C., Manchester, Conn.
IRVING, WILLIAM M., Natick, Mass.
KURTIS, ALAN A., New York, N. Y.
LOEWEN, ERWIN G., Cambridge, Mass.
MULTHAUP, ROBERT H., New York, N. Y.
NEWBY, WILLIAM M., Niagara Falls, Ont., Can.
NICHOLS, WALLACE H., Cleveland, Ohio
NORSE, FREDERICK B., W. Lafayette, Ind.
OLSON, DONALD R., Guilford, Conn.
PETERSON, HENNING L., Minneapolis, Minn.
PIERPOLINE, MARIO F., Wallingford, Pa.
POLK, ALBERT F., Dayton, Ohio
RAYLE, ROY E., JR., Springfield, Mass.
RESTHOP, GERHARD, Cambridge, Mass.
SCHWERTFEGER, ANTON J., Aiken, S. C.
SHADE, WALTER R., Laureldale, Pa.
SMITH, HUELAND F., JR., Corpus Christi, Texas
SPRENGER, HERBERT D., Columbus, Ohio
STARRETT, RICHARD H., Elyria, Ohio
STEINHAGEN, WILLIAM K., Royal Oak, Mich.
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Obituaries . . .

Richard Terhune Anderson (1878–1954), vice-president and general manager, Paterson Parchment Paper Co., Bristol, Pa., died Aug. 9, 1954, at his home in Lawrenceville, N. J. Born, Passaic, N. J., Sept. 2, 1878. Parents, William S. and Sarah E. (Terhune) Anderson. Education, ME, Stevens Institute of Technology, 1902. Married Madeline Leonhard, 1916; children, David J., Margaret C. Assoc. Mem. ASME, 1919; Mem. ASME, 1920.

John Phillips Badenhausen (1876–1954), retired engineer of Philadelphia, Pa., died Aug. 21, 1954, at Bryn Mawr (Pa.) Hospital. Born, Hoboken, N. J., Jan. 31, 1876. Parents, Edmund C. V. and Katherine (Schoemer) Badenhausen. Education, ME, Stevens Institute of Technology, 1896; MME, Cornell University, 1900. Married Helen Mary Schneider, 1906 (deceased). Mem. ASME, 1922. Survived by three children, Bayard, Paoli, Pa.; Mrs. Helen B. Hendrix, Ardmore, Pa.; Mrs. Kathryn B. Newton, Philadelphia, Pa.

Edward Latrobe Bateman (1874–?), who died some time ago, according to a notice recently received by the Society, was managing director of Edward L. Bateman, (Pty.) Ltd., engineers and importers, Johannesburg, South Africa. Born, Evansville, Ind., June 21, 1874. Education, public schools and night schools in Chicago, Ill. Jun. ASME, 1897; Assoc. ASME, 1904. He had been in South Africa since 1902 and did much to introduce and encourage American methods and machinery there.

Frederick Acton Boddy (1897–1954), a principal in the firm of Boddy, Benjamin & Woodhouse Associates, Detroit, Mich., died Sept. 2, 1954. Born, Petrolia, Ont., Can., Oct. 30, 1897 (of American parents). Parents, George A. and Mary (Acton) Boddy. Education, BS(ME), University of Michigan, 1924. Married Frances L. Trombley, 1916; daughter, Muriel (Mrs. F. A.) Dusel, Jr. Mem. ASME, 1944. He had been extremely active both in the affairs of the Detroit Section, of which he was past-chairman, and Region V, in which he had been a key figure in membership-development work.

Thomas Carr Bradford (1885–1954?), whose death was recently reported to the Society, was technical representative, F. E. Anderson Oil Co., Portland, Conn. Born, Providence, R. I., Dec. 22, 1885. Education, graduate, technical high school. Assoc. ASME, 1952.

Charles Worthington Comstock (1870–1953), retired engineer of Denver, Colo., died Sept. 18, 1953. Born, Maroa, Ill., Feb. 10, 1870. Education, EM and CE, Colorado School of Mines, 1890; MCE, Cornell University, 1894; PhD, 1898. Mem. ASME, 1908.

James Alfred Donnelly (1868–?), whose death was recently reported to the Society, was formerly president and general manager, Positive Differential System Co., New York, N. Y. His home was in Largent, W. Va. Born, Calverton, L. I., N. Y., Nov. 27, 1868. Education, graduate, public and high schools. Mem. ASME, 1911.

Eugene Lawrence Downs (1892–1954?), whose death was recently reported to the Society, was production assistant, Automatic Electric Co., Chicago, Ill. Born, Chicago, Ill., Nov. 14, 1892. Education, graduate, Calumet High School, 1910; studied accounting and factory management, Northwestern University's school of commerce, 1916. Assoc. ASME, 1944.

E. Root Dungan (1882–1954), mechanical engineer, Birds Eye-Snider Division, General Foods Corp., Rochester, N. Y., died at his home in Albion, N. Y., June 20, 1954. Born, Hiltonville, N. Y., May 25, 1882. Education, high-school graduate; four-year steam-electrical engineering courses, ICS, 1912; civil engineering, 1916. Mem. ASME, 1941.

William Alsop Fannon (1863–1953), president, treasurer, The Fannon Trading Co., Inc., Appleton, Wis., died Jan. 15, 1953, according to a letter recently received by the Society. Born, Philadelphia, Pa., April 16, 1863. Parents, James and Ann (Downer) Fannon. Education, grade school in Philadelphia. Married Louisa E. Wannewetch, 1889; sons, George C., Ralph W. Mem. ASME, 1907. One of the founders of the Appleton (Wis.) Vocational School, 1916. Held patents on a hydraulic log-splitting machine and a pulpwood chip screen.

Henry Gebhart (1880–1954?), retired engineer, Dayton, Ohio, died recently according to a report received by the Society. Born, Dayton, Ohio, Dec. 17, 1880. Parents, Walter and Mary E. (Pope) Gebhart. Education, BS(EE), University of Pennsylvania, 1904. Married Harriet Helen Winters, 1917. He held several patents on streetcar equipment, including fare boxes, signal lights for car doors, and the like. Mem. ASME, 1919.

Russell Gray Henley (1884–1953), general superintendent of motive power, Norfolk and Western Railway Company, Roanoke, Va., died June 6, 1953, according to a notice recently received by the Society. Born, Walkerton, Va., May 17, 1884. Parents, Robert Y. and Dora (Walker) Henley. Education, graduate, Virginia Mechanics Institute, 1902. Married Anna W. Walden, 1915 (died 1936). Mem. ASME, 1947; Fellow ASME, 1947. In an article by Roy V.

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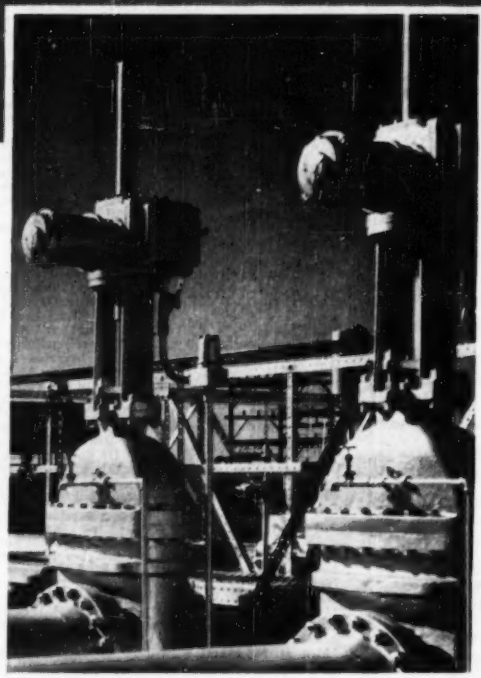

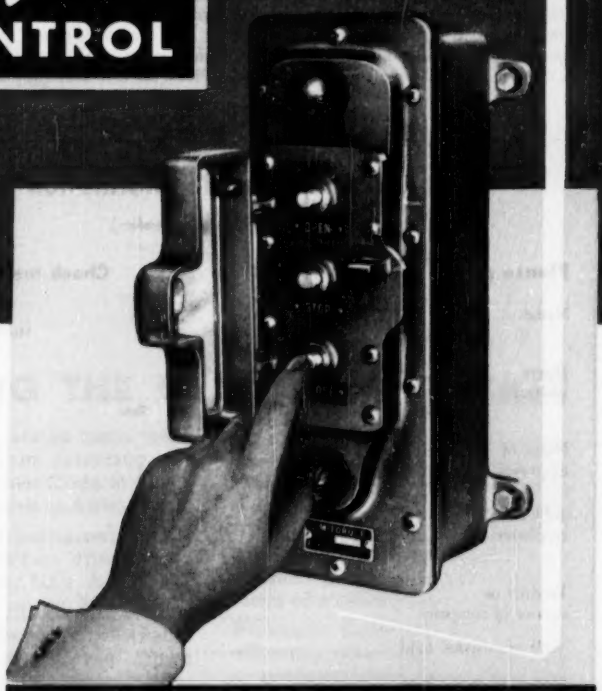

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Fred P. Hutchison (1894–1953), retired engineer, Orange, N. J., died July 21, 1953. Born, Maryville, Mo., Sept. 13, 1894. Parents, Samuel O. and Anna B. (Mosteller) Hutchison. Education, BS(Eng), University of Missouri, 1916. Author of several technical papers published in professional journals. Jun. ASME, 1918.

Leon Henry Johnson (1884–1954), chief engineer, Struthers-Wells Corp., Warren, Pa., died June 8, 1954. Born, Jamestown, N. Y., Dec. 31, 1884. Parents, Henry and Ada S. Johnson. Education, BS(Naval Arch.), University of Michigan, 1908. Married Ruby R. Rundquist, 1914; children, Sheridan R., Gretchen C., Martin H. Mem. ASME, 1939.

Thomas Doying Jones (1924–1954), research engineer, Wood River Research Laboratories, Shell Oil Co., Inc., Wood River, Ill., was killed in an automobile accident, Aug. 27, 1954. Born, Jacksonville, Ill., Aug. 26, 1924. Education, BSME, Missouri School of Mines, 1947. Jun. ASME, 1948.

William Frederic Kiesel, Jr. (1866–1954?), whose death was recently reported to the Society, was formerly mechanical engineer in charge of mechanical-engineering office, Pennsylvania Railroad, Altoona, Pa. Born, Scranton, Pa., Sept. 1, 1866. Parents, Wilhelm F. and Marie Johanna (Neufer) Kiesel. Education, ME, Lehigh University, 1887; hon. DE, 1931. Married Alice Sweigard, 1888; children, Mildred V., John S., William F., 3rd. In 1928 he received the George R. Henderson Medal awarded by The Franklin Institute. Mem. ASME, 1907. In 1951 the Altoona Engineering Society presented him with a certificate of appreciation. He was awarded a gold medal in 1915 by the Panama Pacific International Exposition. He held 135 Pennsylvania Railroad engine and car patents.

Robert Jacob Trinkle (1893–1954?), whose death was reported to the Society, was professor of mechanical engineering, Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va. Born, Dublin, Va., Oct. 15, 1893. Parents, Jacob S. and Kathrine (Lyons) Trinkle. Education, BS(EE), Virginia Military Institute, 1914; MS(EE), Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1926. Married Eleanor Lore Crane, 1923; children, Robert J., Anne W., Nelson C. Assoc-Mem. ASME, 1930; Mem. ASME, 1935.

William Buckout Tuttle (1874–1954), chairman, San Antonio River Authority; consulting engineer, City Public Service Board, San Antonio, Texas, died Sept. 8, 1954. Born, Austinburg, Ohio, July 3, 1874. Parents, Albert H. and Kate (Seeley) Tuttle. Education, University of Virginia, Class of 1896. Married Leila House, 1897. Mem. ASME, 1905; Fellow ASME, 1945. One of the prime projects of his career—San Antonio flood control—which he had worked on for the past 25 years, was brought to successful conclusion during the week before his death, when President Eisenhower signed the bill recently passed by Congress. He took an active part in local and national civic projects. Survived by wife; and two nieces, Mrs. James W. Hampton, Charleston, W. Va.; Mrs. Pembrock Gochnauer, Berkeley, Calif.

Jacob Latch Warner (1876–1954?), whose death was recently reported to the Society, was special assistant, service department, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Wilmington, Del. Born, Haverford, Pa., Jan. 11, 1876. Parents, Gardiner L. and Jane (McConnell) Warner. Education, BS, University of Pennsylvania, 1899; CE, 1902. Married Helen Wells, 1911; daughter, Barbara R. (Mrs. H. P.) Hartley. Mem. ASME, 1917. Author of several technical papers and contributed to textbooks used in the field of chemical engineering.

Henry George Yates (1908–1954), senior designer, The Parsons and Marine Engineering Turbine Research and Development Association, Pametrada Research Station, Wallsend-on-Tyne, Northumberland, England, died Sept. 15, 1954. Born, Nenagh, Tipperary, Ireland, May 5, 1908. Education, graduate, Methodist College, Belfast, 1926; BA, Trinity College, Dublin, 1930; MA, 1933. He held 14 British Patents; jointly with others, eight. He was a member and took active part in the affairs of leading British professional societies. Author of various confidential and unpublished reports; several articles published in *The Engineer;* his paper, "Vibration Diagnosis in Marine Geared Turbines," published by N. E. Coast Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders, won for him the Engineering Gold Medal. Mem. ASME, 1952.

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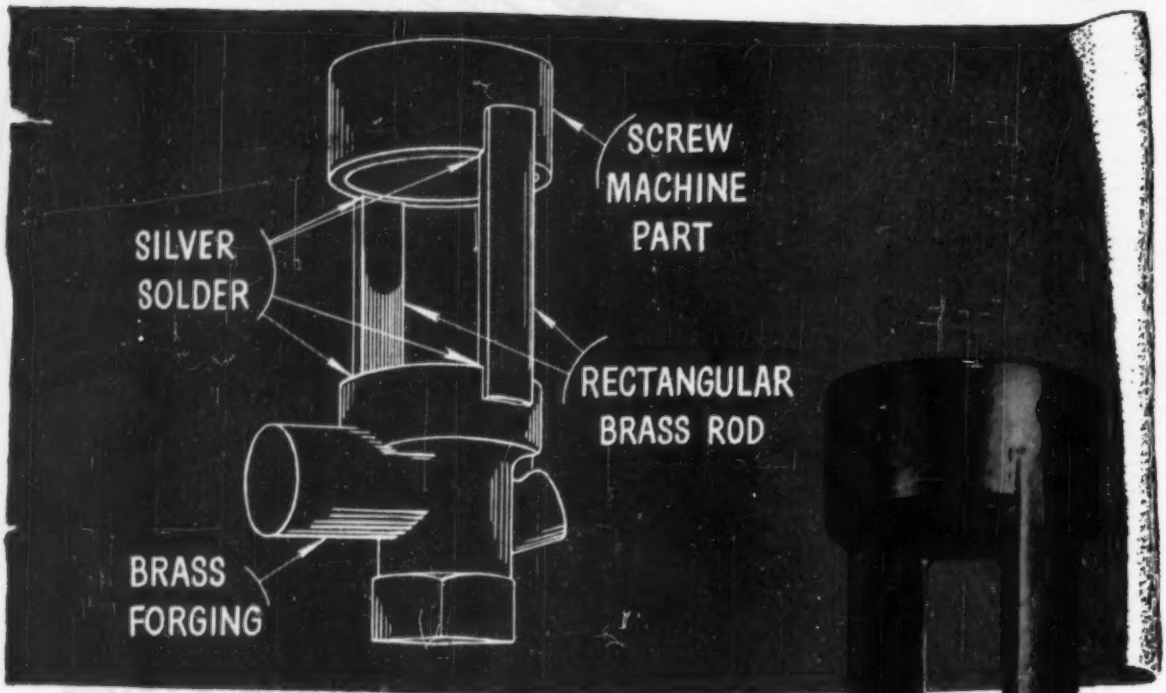

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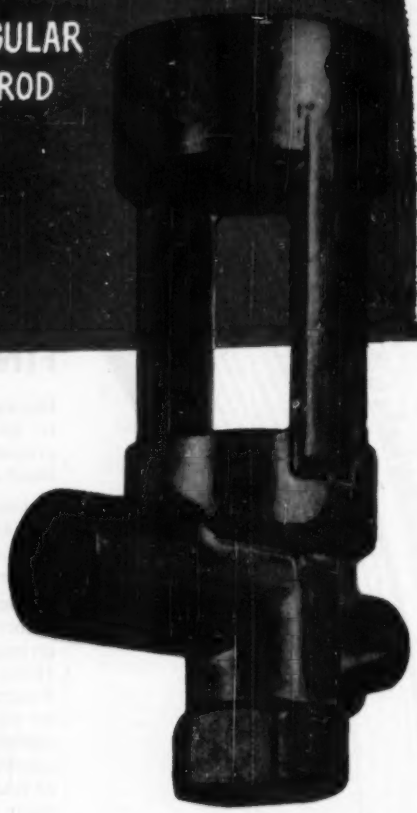

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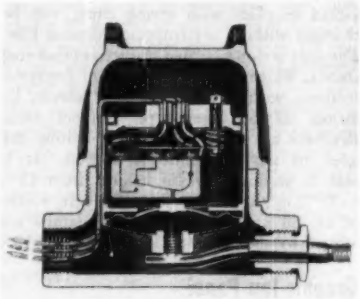
NEW EQUIPMENT

Orfice Flow Sections

Daniel Orfice Fitting Co., 3352 Union Pacific Ave., Los Angeles 23, Calif., announces orfice flow sections for small flow measurement of liquids and gases.

The units are designed for use with any make of differential recorder or indicator. Light weight flanges have dowel pins for perfectly aligning flanges and concentrically locating gaskets and orfice plate, company engineers point out.

Pressure tap holes can be adjacent to either each other or individually rotated on either vertical or horizontal axis to suit conditions. According to company engineers, tubes are honed to extremely close tolerances to assure uniform line size and internal finish.

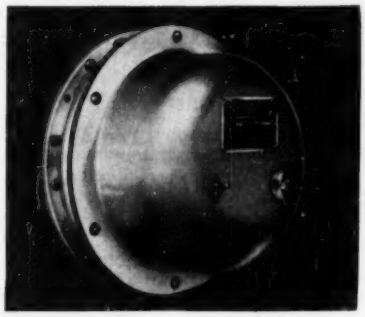


Explosion Proof Switches

Barksdale Valves, 5125 Alcoa Ave., Los Angeles 58, Calif., announces new explosion proof pressure and vacuum switches said to repeat with ±1 per cent of setting.

The switches are enclosed in an explosion proof housing, UL approved for hazardous locations; Class I, group B, C and D; Class II, group E, F and G., for atmospheres containing vapors of ethyl, ether, gasoline, alcohol, acetone, petroleum, naphtha, lacquer solvents natural gas, grain dust.

The new line covers the range from 30 in. of mercury vacuum to 150 psi, sensing increasing or decreasing vacuum pressure, the company says. Standard models are available for single or dual settings. Bulletins describing the switches are available from the company.



Bin Level Indicator

A new model bin level indicator incorporating a built-in bull's-eye signal light for use in installations requiring a signal which can be readily seen by an operator, is announced by the Bin-Dicator Co., 13946-96 Kercheval, Detroit 15, Mich.

The new model has been designated Model "AL" Special Bin-Dicator and is said to be a complete, visual signal system in one package. It comes completely assembled and ready for connection to the user's power source. A toggle switch is provided so that the signal light may be shut off if desired.

The unit, which costs $12.50 more than a standard model without light is particularly suitable for use on packaging hoppers, scale hoppers and small bins handling practically any bulk material, the company says.

The unit is available with general purpose Micro switch only. It contains no springs and no motors, and the switch mechanism is operated by a flexible diaphragm which is actuated by pressure of the material in the bin or hopper. Various diaphragm materials are available including cloth, rubber, neoprene with cloth interlining, Fiberglas, asbestos cloth of several thicknesses.

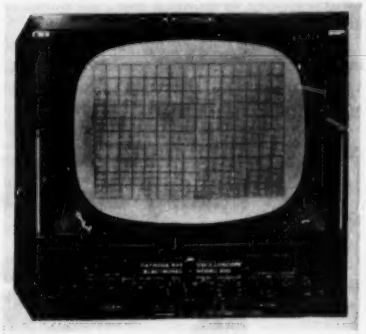
Service Compressor

A new compressor, Model HT-325, designed for mounting in service trucks, has been announced by Quincy Compressor Co., Quincy, Ill. A tank outlet manifold supplies reduced air pressure for tools and full pressure for other requirements, the company says. Tank pressure from 165 to 175 psi is automatically maintained by a constant speed unloader. Maximum continuous pressure is 175 psi. According to the company the gasoline engine can be started with a pull rope of an electric starter powered by the truck battery. The compressor is compactly designed to permit mounting on the smallest pick-up truck.

New Die Steel

Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp., has announced production of a new die steel, known as Ottawa 60, specifically developed to deep draw and form stainless steel. It is a high carbon-high vanadium alloy, produced in bars and forgings, to perform in such applications without galling or pickup and to give the ultimate in wear resistance.

Detailed information on the material is available in a technical data sheet obtainable on request from the company, 2020 Oliver Bldg., Pittsburgh 22, Pa.



Large Screen Oscilloscopes

Large screen precision oscilloscopes are a new product development announced by Electromec, Inc., 3200 N. San Fernando Blvd., Burbank, Calif. They are available in 21 and 17 in. rectangular tubes, and are designed for data plotting, production test, wave form analysis, education and display uses.

Company engineers say important features of the new oscilloscopes include high resolution, ±1 per cent linearity, stable d-c amplifiers, calibrated time base (from 10 u sec./in. to 1 sec./in.), gain controls calibrated in peak to peak volts/in., (10 mv peak to peak or 1 mv peak to peak sensitivity), low rate of drift and excellent long term stability. Performance is not affected by line voltage changes from 105–125 v, the company says.

The manufacturer states that the new large screen oscilloscopes permit detail observation of large quantities of data or complex wave forms, thus reducing guess work and reading errors to a minimum. Use of magnetic deflection systems make large screen display practical, and permits close control over linearity and orthogonality, the company claims.

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Instantaneous Battery Testing

A battery test switch for the instantaneous testing of both transmitter and receiver batteries is now being engineered into the company's latest model "505" pipe detectors, the Detectron Corp., North Hollywood, Calif., announces.

This new feature enables the operator to have positive assurance of maximum battery function at all times while detecting, tracing and estimating the depth of buried pipes, cables, conduit, the company says.

Engineers point out that battery testing on pipe detection equipment now in use has been a more complicated process with the result that in-the-field malfunction of equipment and battery failure has often occurred. Now, the company says, by merely touching the test-switch, an immediate reading of battery condition is possible. Batteries in poor condition may be replaced on the spot or extra replacement batteries taken into the field. Present owners of older model "505" pipe detectors can readily install the test-switch feature at nominal cost, according to the company.

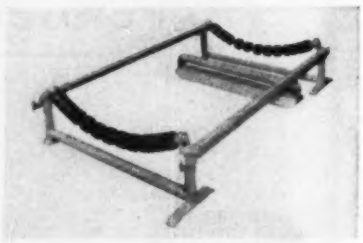
The new unit offers the latest electronic tubes, a specially constructed vibration pick-up for maximum sensitivity, an aluminum case and the use of standard batteries. Constructed for rugged field use, it can be operated by one man. Experience or special training is not necessary.

Functions performed by the new model are the detection of unknown pipes and conduits, and cables, valves, services and stubs. It will also trace buried pipes and conduits and will center them to determine the exact location. The company says detection of unexpected or unknown metal objects is also possible and where there are close parallel pipes and conduit, the unit will determine the exact center, depth and location of any one of many pipes.

Proportional Counter

A proportional counter, WL-6307 for the detection of thermal neutrons is available from the Westinghouse Electric Corp. Box 284, Elmira, N. Y. The counter is filled to a pressure of 55 cm Hg with boron trifluoride enriched to 96 per cent with boron-10 isotope. The sensitivity of the counter is approximately 4.5 counts per second for a unit thermal neutron flux and it operates in the vicinity of 2000 v, according to the company.

The unit is extremely rugged and will operate at temperatures up to 80 C, the company says. It has an all-aluminum body one in. in diam and 12-in. long. It is provided with a connector for HN cable fittings.



Belt Conveyor Idler

A cable-suspension idler for belt conveyors, announced by Joy Mfg. Co., Pittsburgh 22, Pa., is said to provide a load-conforming catenary, cushion the belt, and handle both bulk and packaged materials.

Known as the Limberoller, it uses only two bearings, and carries the belt on resilient, pressure-molded neoprene disks, all of the same size and all revolving at the same peripheral speed. Discs are molded to a neoprene-sheathed, flexible steel cable, freely suspended from the two bearings. In continuous contact with the loaded belt, the discs exert a slight gripping action that holds slippage to a minimum, and tends to keep the belt aligned. The company says the discs have excellent resistance to abrasion, will not support combustion, and will resist most chemicals except very strong oxidizing agents and aromatic hydrocarbons.

Bearings are supported above and to each side of the belt, out of the dirt zone; are locked in place with spring clips; can be changed without interrupting material flow. The unit is slot-mounted in special bracketed stands, which are assembled into conveyor sections, without bolts or cover sheets, by means of bed-frame-type channel rails. Brackets are also available for bolting the idler to any conventional section. It is said to permit conveyor heights from 13¼ to 15¾ in., and is available for belt widths of 24, 30 and 36 in. Further details are offered by the company in Bulletin LD-103.

Graphic Ion Panel

Graver Water Conditioning Co., 216 W. 14th St., New York 11, N. Y., now has available a graphic panel arrangement for all automatic ion exchange equipment that is said to allow the operator to see at a glance if the system is functioning properly.

On the panel control board is located, in addition to the usual controls, meters and recorders, a pictorial representation of the ion exchange units and the immediate piping and valves. Each valve representation has two colored lights, one red, one green. When the operation valve is open, the green light is on, when the valve is closed the red light is on. All pipe lines are also lit and colored with a different color for each material being carried.

This system, designed for large utility demineralization plants, mixed-bed and two-bed demineralizers and hydrogen-sodium blend systems, can be modified to meet individual plant needs.

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Air Tool Lubricators

A new line of Micro-Fog lubricators for air tools, air cylinders, and other air-operated equipment has been announced by the C. A. Norgren Co., Englewood, Colo. The company says the outstanding feature of the new lubricators is an easily adjusted variable vane venturi which enables one unit to meet the requirements of a much wider range of operating conditions, and handle applications which previously required several sizes of lubricators.

The company says that at 80 psi the $^3/_8$ in. size can be set for a low flow range of 5 to 9 cfm, a high range of 50 to 100 cfm, or any intermediate range desired. The new line includes 20 models in pipe sizes of $^1/_4$, $^3/_8$, $^1/_2$, $^3/_4$, and 1 in., with capacities of $^1/_2$ pt, $1^3/_4$ gal and $4^1/_2$ gal, and flow range from 5 to 250 cfm at 80 psi.

The new units have a transparent dome for visibility of oil feed; visibility of oil supply; an auxiliary air circuit for accurately controlling the oil feed from 1 drop in 20 minutes to 15 drops per minute. A constant oil level feature, available in all types, eliminates the possibility of the rate of oil feed being affected by the quantity of oil in the bowl.

Micronic Filter

Waterman Engineering Co. of Evanston, Ill., has perfected a new high pressure micronic filter said to feature easy replacement of elements without breaking pressure line connections. According to company engineers, full flow filtration of high pressure air, oil, water or any mild corrosive fluid can now be accomplished with this micronic filter.

The company says that complete protection from contamination is assured valve, cylinders and fluid motors. Also a built-in relief valve prevents crushing of filter element due to dirt accumulation.

Two types of elements are available—one filters to 40 microns, the other to 10 microns. An illustrative circular of this new micronic filter may be obtained by writing the company, 725 Custer Ave., Evanston, Ill.

Induction Heater

A new 25-kw high frequency vacuum tube induction heater, Type EI-25C, engineered for heavy duty industrial use, has been announced by Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co.

The entire cubicle of the new unit is pressurized. Ambient air is drawn into the heater near the top, filtered, blown downward through the oscillator, through a baffle, into the rectifier section, and then exhausted through a grille on the rear panel of the cubicle. Ceramic coils are used to carry cooling water to high potential parts.

The heater's newly designed cabinet is formed from heavy gage steel, rigidly constructed, and fitted with full-length doors for "walk-in" accessibility to the rectifier and oscillator sections.

According to the company, performance of the new heater has been improved, tube life lengthened, and maintenance further reduced by the use of regulated voltage on the filaments of all tubes and the application of a single oscillator tube of latest design.

Safety features incorporated in the heater include heavy duty industrial control, high-water temperature switch, low water flow switch, fuses, and interlocking doors which automatically shut off the power when opened.

The completely self-contained electronic heater features automatic timing for each unit operation. The operator merely pushes the start button which closes the circuit for the predetermined time for the operation as established by proper setting of the timer. Operations can be either manual or automatic depending upon the production setup for the job.

A description of the new heater, including dimensions, is given in a new bulletin, 15 S 8057, copies of which are available on request from Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., 949 S. 70th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

Aluminum Conductor Alloy

A new aluminum alloy for conducting electricity, No. 2EC, has been developed by Aluminum Co. of America, 1501 Alcoa Bldg., Pittsburgh 19, Pa. The company says the alloy is a tailor-made material developed to meet the high performance requirements of the electrical equipment manufacturing industry.

No. 2EC aluminum conductor alloy has superior mechanical properties, with a slight sacrifice in electrical conductivity over other aluminum alloys used for conductor purposes, according to company engineers. They point out that such properties are especially important for applications requiring high yield strength and low creep.

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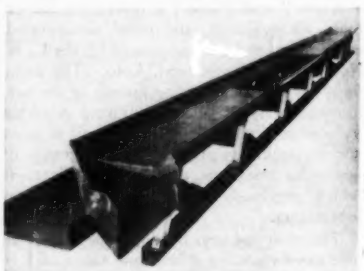
Stainless Steel Valves

A new line of lower-priced stainless steel Rockwell-Nordstrom lubricated plug valves especially recommended for use in food, plastic, sulfite pulp and chemical plants has been introduced by the Meter and Valve Div. of Rockwell Mfg. Co., 400 N. Lexington Ave., Pittsburgh 8, Pa.

Featuring chrome-plated plugs, the new valves are said to be suitable for most services in which the more expensive stellite-coated Rockwell-Nordstrom stainless steel valves have previously been used, such as services requiring stainless steel to prevent contamination or corrosion.

According to company engineers, the chrome plating backed by stainless steel offers double protection against scoring, galling and other effects of corrosion. New valves are offered in the same sizes and types available in Rockwell's higher-priced line.



Vibrating Conveyors

Carrier Conveyor Corp., Louisville, Ky., announces bulletin No. 111 describing its processes and equipment, including the application of its natural frequency principle now being offered in new conveyors, shake outs and feeders.

This principle is designed to take all possible strain off the drives, motors and structural parts in vibrating conveyors, yet still allow the springs to operate freely and naturally. Engineers explain the vibration as that of a coil spring with a weight tied to it vibrating without any power input.

The company says the advantages of this type of operation include extremely high efficiency, low maintenance and ability to handle materials that are hot, sharp, sticky. According to the company, the units are also adaptable to such processing operations as drying, heating, cooling, separating and blending while they convey.

Aircraft Hydraulic Pump

Adel Div. of General Metals Corp., 10777 Van Owen St., Burbank, Calif, has announced a new high pressure, motor driven hydraulic pump for aircraft. Designated No. 28430, the pump is said to require 25 per cent less amperage and to effect a weight reduction of more than 30 per cent.

The unit's rated pressure is 3000 psi with a rated capacity of 0.5 gpm in an ambient temperature range of sea level to 60,000 ft.

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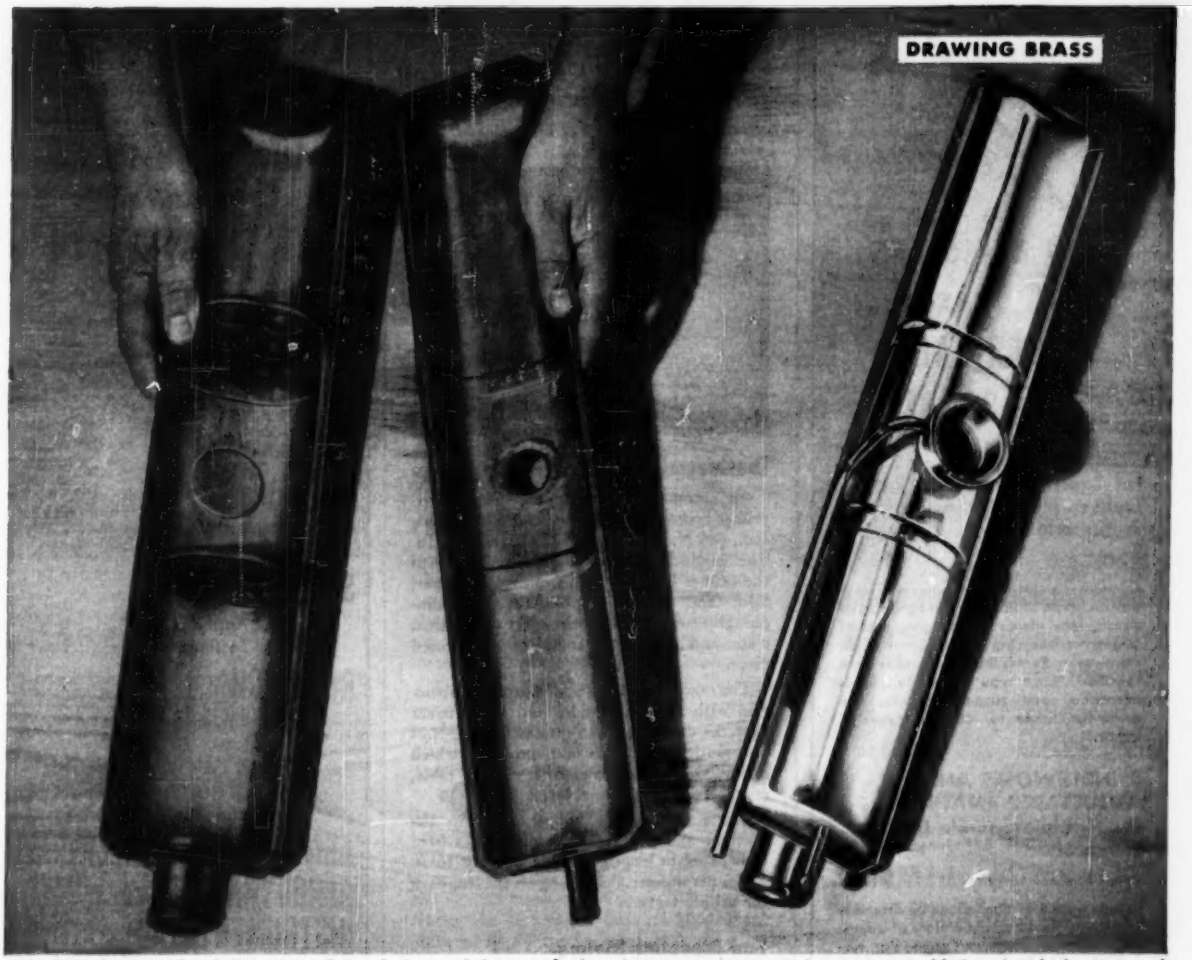

RADIATOR TANK made of Formbrite shown before polishing and after chromium plating. Halves are assembled with a lock seam and soldered together with baffles inside. Intake spout, overflow tube and connecting fitting are also attached.

New fine-grain drawing brass cuts rejects from 13% to under 1%

These radiator tanks—used in a leading sports car—were first made of ordinary drawing brass.

But Morrison Steel Products Company, Buffalo, N. Y., found this brass wasn't stiff enough after forming. During handling, polishing and plating, many dents and nicks appeared on the surface. Rejects ran at about 13%.

Then Morrison turned to Formbrite* — Anaconda's new fine-grain drawing brass. Here's what happened.

1. Rejects dropped to less than 1%.
2. Appearance of the final plated tank (very important in a sports car) was so much improved that now Formbrite is specified for all these tanks.
3. Polishing costs were sliced almost in half.

WHY MORRISON FOUND FORMBRITE BETTER, CHEAPER TO USE

Formbrite has a superfine grain. Produced by special methods of rolling and annealing, this grain is *so fine* that often a simple color buff brings it to a bright, lustrous finish. (Compare magnification of Formbrite Drawing Brass with that of ordinary drawing brass. At right.)

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FREE SAMPLE

The way to find out about Formbrite is to try it yourself. Ask for a sample and more information. Just write to: *The American Brass Co., Waterbury 20, Conn. In Canada: Anaconda American Brass Ltd., New Toronto, Ont.*

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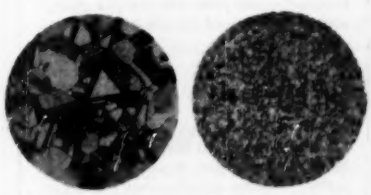

75x magnification of ordinary drawing brass.

75x magnification of superfine-grain Formbrite.

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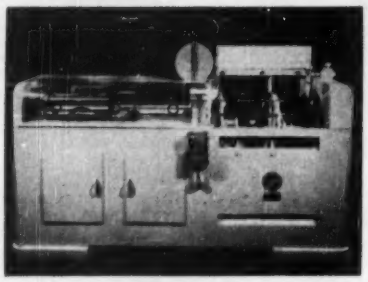


Diaphragming Machine

An automatic diaphragming machine for primer bodies has been announced by Walsh, Inc., 646 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 11, Ill. The unit is designed to lacquer the interior of the primer body; punch from roll of paper, form and install diaphragms; seat diaphragms to required depth; eject the finished piece and eject an incomplete or rejected piece.

The machine is of steel fabricated construction with removable sides and lucite cover over the cylinders. An interlocking electro-pneumatic circuit has been provided which operates air motors and rotary index table, controlled by mico-switches.

Primer bodies are hopper fed into the machine and will accommodate bodies from 3 to 24 in. in length at a speed of 20 to 50 pieces per minute, depending on the length of the primer body.

End-Mounting Motors

A new end-mounted fractional horsepower motor, equipped with a special new grease for increased bearing life, has been announced by the General Electric Company's general purpose component motor department, Schenectady 5, N. Y.

The grease gives long lubrication with little maintenance, according to company engineers, and aids the ball bearings to absorb heavy end-thrust loads easily. New synthetic slot and between-phase insulation of "Mylar" polyester film, Formex wire and Glyptal varnish make stator windings highly resistant to heat, aging, moisture, and electrical stresses, the engineers said. Ventilation with a large, cast-aluminum fan produces a quiet, effective cooling system.

The new motor is available in open, and totally-enclosed, fan-cooled models, NEMA size 56C face mounting. The capacitor-start and polyphase open models are designed for operation of close-coupled centrifugal pumps. Mounted either vertically or horizontally, they are suited for continuous or intermittent operation, according to company engineers.

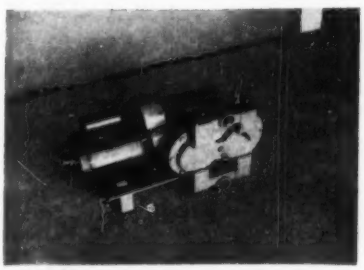
The totally-enclosed, fan-cooled model is designed for applications located in dirty or unfavorable conditions, such as machine tools, compressors, pumps, and materials handling systems, engineers said. Both models are available in ratings of 1/4, 1725 rpm, to 1 hp, 3450 rpm.

Flame-Resistant Panels

Resolite Corp., Zelienople, Pa., manufacturer of translucent structural panels of fiberglass-polyester resins, announces the availability of "Fire-Snuf", a self-extinguishing sheet for application in skylighting in industrial buildings, schools and other institutional buildings.

The new flame-resistant panels are molded with "Hetron," a self-extinguishing resin manufactured by Hooker Electrochemical Co. The company says the panels have a flame spread rating under 75, which is in a bracket termed "slow-burning" by Building Officials Conference of America, Inc.

Under the heat and flame of a blow-torch, the new material will burn but extinguishes itself immediately upon removal of the source of flame and heat. The material is molded in all standard roofing and siding corrugations and sheet sizes. It costs a few cents more per square foot than the standard polyester resin sheet.



Diaphragm Pump

The Perry Co., Waco, Tex., has announced a diaphragm pump designed for pumping abrasive liquids, petroleum, liquid food products and chemicals.

The company says the unit, Model 80-50, affords high volume and pressure under adverse conditions, is self priming and will operate dry without harm to the pump. The unit's capacity at 50 lb head pressure is 700 gpm. Pump speed is 483 rpm. Fluid inlet and outlet is $1^1/_4$ in., and the pump is powered by a standard general purpose $^1/_3$ hp 110-220 v, single phase a-c capacitor start motor.

Automatic Slag Breaker

United Conveyor Corp., Chicago, Ill., has announced a new device which mechanically and automatically breaks and knocks down slag formation in pulverized coal fired slagging or wet bottom type furnaces with continuous discharge of molten ash.

The company says the unit is particularly suited to pressurized furnaces where access to the slag neck is limited for manual lancing. The slag breaker is also said to be desirable for negative pressure slagging furnaces to eliminate frequent inspections and labor for breaking down slag accumulations.

The unit has an air cylinder mechanism which is timer controlled and adjusted so that the slag breaker is operated approximately every three to four minutes to break and knock down stalactites that hang from the furnace bottom outlet. Water discharges continuously through the spray holes in the slag breaker pipe to cool the molten slag stream. In the operation of the breaker, the company says, some molten slag will adhere to the breaker pipe and this accumulation is removed when the slag breaker pipe contacts the water cooled stationary cleaning bar.

One unit is horizontal for standard installations, and another is of the crank type for applications where structural interferences make it necessary to lower the mechanism a substantial distance below the furnace outlet.

Combination Data Recorder

Ampex Corp., 934 Charter St., Redwood City, Calif., has announced a dual-channel data recorder developed primarily to meet the requirements of missile test facilities and other applications in which data is telemetered to the recorder.

One channel of the unit is available for recording of data that is in pulse-width modulated form, and the other for direct recording of frequency-modulated signals. The unit has a pulse width response from 60 to more than 1,000 microseconds and a frequency response from 300 to 70,000 cycles per second.

Data is recorded on two parallel tracks on a quarter-inch magnetic tape. Each track, the company says, can be used singly, or both tracks can be used simultaneously. When only one of the tracks is required, the other can be used to record a continuous timing reference.

The company has issued a product specification sheet that lists the advantages of tape, suggested applications and a general description of the unit, accessories, auxiliary equipment, and general performance characteristics and specifications.

Gas Powered Trucks

The Baker-Raulang Co., 1230 W. 80th St., Cleveland 2, Ohio, has announced the addition of two new gas powered fork lift industrial trucks to its line. They are called FD 50 and FD 60 and are designed to speed the handling of materials in manufacturing plants, warehouses and other rugged outdoor terrain.

According to the company, the FD 50, rated for loads up to 5000 lb, and the FD 60, rated for loads up to 6000 lb, can do a day's work on less than 5 gal of gas per day. Unique electric transmission makes this economy possible. The trucks have Worm-Gear Driven Power Axles to deliver high efficiency under heavy loads when maximum power is needed. In one step only, worm gearing achieves the required speed reduction.

Inching Control on the trucks is said to permit high speed hoisting at low travel speeds. Controlled by the foot pedal, it effects resistance in the generator shunt field, causing reduction in voltage to the drive motor.

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Speciality Fastener

Shur-lok Corp. announces another new specialty fastener, the SL 1029 overheat switch insulator self-locking nut for use in high temperature applications. This two-piece assembly has a ceramic coated cap and a self-locking insert that is pressed into the cap. It is designed to withstand temperatures to 1500 F.

Specifications, prices and delivery information are available from Shur-Lok Corp., 9010 Bellanca Ave., Los Angeles 45, Calif.

Heavy Duty Ram

The Char-Lynn Co., 2834–26th Ave., S., Minneapolis 6, Minn., announces a heavy duty Strokontrol ram incorporating an easily adjusted accurate hydraulic depth stop.

The thumb-screw collar on the piston rod can be set at any desired position to stop the retracting stroke at the given point until the collar position is changed, company engineers point out.

This ram is said to utilize high strength aluminum alloy castings for light weight and has a hard chrome plated piston rod, blocked V-seals, and a mirror-like honed barrel for precision operation and long life. The cylinder has a $3^1/_2$ in. bore, and is available in stroke lengths up to 16 in. Designed for operating pressures up to 1200 psi, it meets SAE and ASAE specifications governing hydraulic cylinders.

Steam Cleaners

A new line of Hypressure Jenny steam cleaners, known as Series "1800", is announced by Homestead Valve Mfg. Co., Coraopolis, Pa.

Each of the nine models in the line features 180 gal per hr steam cleaning capacity for removing heavy deposits of grease and dirt from machinery, equipment, trucks, parts. Two of the models are available with fingertip control of flushing and rinsing capacity up to 480 gal per hr.

Said to be designed especially for extra-heavy duty cleaning jobs, and for either single gun or two gun operation, the Jennys offer a choice of oil-fired or gas fired units in either stationary or portable type. For field use, or anywhere that electric current is not available, units are offered with gasoline engine drive in place of electric motor. The units have automatic electric ignition, and are said to be able to generate steam-cleaning pressures within two minutes from a cold start. Full facts and specifications will be supplied by the manufacturer upon request.

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Welded Grating

Dravo Corp., Machinery Division, 1203 Dravo Bldg. Pittsburgh, Pa., announces the addition of a new type of welded grating to its nationally distributed line of grating and stair treads. Known as Tri-Forged welded grating, this product is of all-welded, one-piece construction with rectangular openings. It supplements the company's nationally distributed line of interlocked grating.

According to the company, the new welded grating was developed by the Tri-Lok Co., Pittsburgh, which manufactures the product. The grating is constructed with double triangular cross bars permanently welded to rectangular bearing bars to produce one-piece construction. The special design of double triangular cross bars was the outcome of research which proved this cross section to be an ideal geometrical shape for pressure welding, the company says, because it provides uniform pressure at all points of the V-contact during the welding operation.

Air-Water Separator

A new device said to simultaneously perform the twin functions of water separation from water-sealed vacuum pumps exhausts and control of exhaust noise, has been announced by Burgess-Manning Co., Libertyville, Ill.

The company reports this is the first device of its kind. Both water and air enter the side of the separator snubber and are separated centrifugally within the unit. The water-free air is then discharged at the top of the snubber and water leaves the unit at the bottom. The WSS separator snubber allows for handling of water having a percentage of settlings and other impurities, and can be cleaned conveniently when necessary, the company states.

Although water separation is the prime purpose of the unit, it also reduces the discharge noise from the vacuum pump sufficiently for most commercial installations, according to the company. For critical installations where optimum silencing is required, a standard snubber may be installed anywhere in the line leading from the water separator snubber.

Standard units range from 6 to 26 in. in diam, weigh from 8 to 415 lb and handle from 60 to 4,700 cfm.

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Heavy Duty Cam Clutches

A new line of extra heavy duty ball bearing overrunning clutches for indexing, backstop and general duty machinery applications is now available from Morse Chain Co., 7601 Central Ave., Detroit 10, Mich.

Called the K Series, these clutches are said to embody many of the design features of the former Kelpo overrunning clutches made by Morse for several years. Typical drive applications for Series K clutches, which have a toothed inner race driving member that actuates closely spaced independently sprung cams, include dual drives, two-speed drives, centrifugal water pump drives, forced and induced fan drives, and ventilating fan drives in power plants, mines, steel mills, foundries and other heavy industries.

Tapped holes are provided in both ends of the clutches, for attaching sprockets, gears, pulleys or ratchet arms for drive requirements from 1300 to 6000 ft-lb. Company engineers say that desired direction of rotation is thus easily obtained by attaching the component to either side of the clutches.

Pipe Strainers

Features designed to minimize maintenance difficulties are incorporated in a new line of cast semi-steel Y-type pipe strainers developed by Armstrong Machine Wks., Three Rivers, Mich. The new strainers are for use in steam, air, water, oil and gas lines at pressures to 250 lb. There are eight sizes from $\frac{1}{4}$ through 2 in.

Straight bushing threads instead of pipe threads ease removal of bushing and screen, according to company engineers. A copper-asbestos gasket is positioned between the base of the bushing and the body to eliminate the possibility of gasket blowout. Type 430 stainless steel corrosion-resistant screens are standard, either perforated with 225 holes of .045-in. diameter per square inch or 20 × 100 mesh wire cloth. Screens of other materials available on special order. Literature is available from the manufacturer.

Motorized Shaker

Development of a large vibration exciter said to be capable of operating in altitude chambers and over a wide range of temperatures and pressures has been announced by The MB Mfg. Co., Inc., New Haven, Conn.

Electromagnetic in operation, the new model provides a force output of 3500 lb, and has a frequency range of 5 to 2000 cps. This force is unaffected by high and low temperature conditions. The company states that the major axial mode of the equipment unloaded is above 2000 cps. Power is furnished by either rotating or electronic power supplies.

One of the features incorporated in the shaker is the optional mounting on a motorized dolly to facilitate handling and quick placement of the equipment for vibration tests. With its built-in jack, the shaker can be raised from the dolly and lowered onto the floor if desired.

Miniature Motors

Three styles of miniature electric motors for use in actuators or for other high speed applications are available from Pacific Div., Bendix Aviation Corp., 11600 Sherman Way, North Hollywood, Calif.

Motor No. 452008 is a split series type 24 v d-c or 110 v a-c rated at 2.5 oz in. for intermittant duty to 160 F. The motor is available for unirotational and reversible operation and can be supplied with or without integral filter. Weight is 13 oz and the overall dimensions are $3 \times 3 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ in.

A "square" motor type No. 1007690 designed to AN-M-40 and MIL-E-5272 is rated at 4 oz in. torque, intermittant duty to 165 F. This is a split series 24 v d-c motor. It is available for unirotational or reversible operation and with or without a magnetic brake. Size is 1 in. square by 2 in. long. The model is also manufactured for use in ambients up to 275 F.

A third motor No. 406046 is a shut field type 24 v d-c unirotational only. It is rated at 1 oz in. for continuous duty to 160 F. The motor incorporates thermistors in the field to compensate for temperature effect on motor speed. Weight 13 oz.

Casting Design

The Geo. P. Reintjes Co., 2517-19 Jefferson St., Kansas City 10, Mo., announces a new type casting design said to provide for expansion of the refractory tiles in all directions.

The design utilizes arcuate castings placed on steel tubes which are suspended from the steelwork with U-bolts. The arcuate castings are not bolted to the supporting steel but have freedom for movement horizontally should horizontal expansion of the tiles occur.

Company Engineers say that because all of the castings in the design are free to move horizontally, erection of the nosing is a fast and simple procedure; oversize or undersize tiles are easily compensated for by shifting or sliding the castings on the tubes from which they are suspended. Shearing of the castings is eliminated and mechanical spalling of the refractories, whether clay or basic is greatly reduced.

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Steam Traps feature

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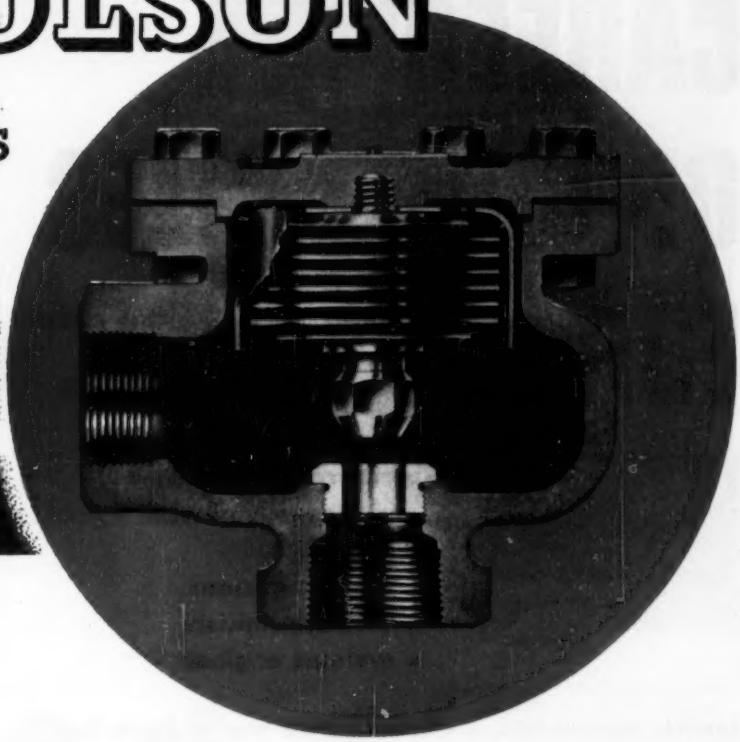
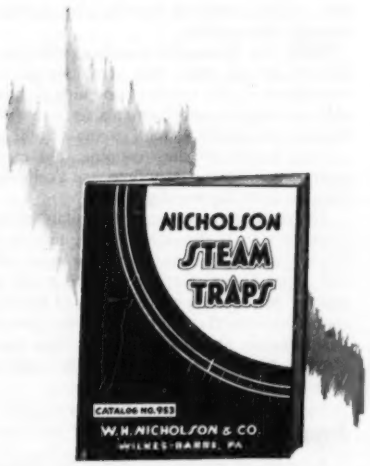
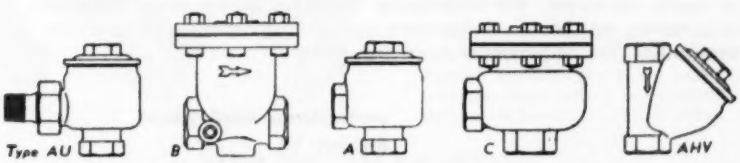
MORE capacity



Note the extreme simplicity of Nicholson industrial steam traps. The heavy-duty bellows integral with valve is the only moving part -- a substantial factor in their low maintenance cost. See also the larger valve orifice. This noteworthy feature results in Nicholson's 2 to 6 times average drainage capacity.

A recent survey showed the features following also to be reasons why plants with standardization-for-economy programs are increasingly adopting Nicholson traps: (1) Operate at lower temperature differential; fast action keeps equipment full of live steam; higher temperatures. (2) No air-binding; eliminate costly fluctuation of operating temperatures. (3) Freeze-proof; freely installed outdoors. (4) No need to change valves for varying operating pressures. (5) Record for low steam waste; as little as 1%.





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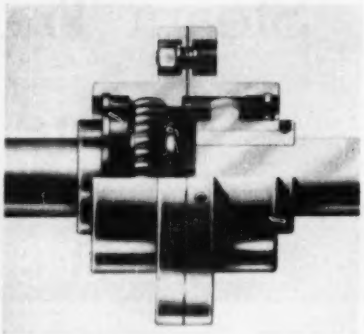


Spherical Coupling

Philadelphia Gear Wks., Erie Ave. and G. St., Philadelphia 34, Pa., announces the Sphereflex coupling, designed to offer industry a coupling having gear teeth which are cut on a segment of a sphere at competitive price levels with regular couplings.

The male teeth of each coupling half are cut on a true spherical arc while the internal teeth are cut with a straight root. Thus, the company says, whenever misalignment occurs, the curved tooth maintains a constant area of contact with the internal tooth, and coupling flexibility is not dependent upon excessive backlash between coupling teeth, point contact or springs.

Teeth of the coupling are of uniform thickness from side to side. Regardless of the nature of the misalignment there is always complete line contact between the coupling teeth—while point contact is never possible, the company's engineers say. They point out that no thrust load on bearings can develop through the coupling.

While the Sphereflex coupling will compensate for all types and combinations of misalignment, the standard coupling is suitable for angular misalignments up to $\pm 3^1/_2$ deg on each coupling half, giving a total of ± 7 deg for the standard coupling, the company says. Special couplings are available, suitable for 14 deg misalignment.

The standard couplings are available from stock in sizes 0 through 6 (maximum bore $6^3/_8$ in.) while larger couplings for steel mill and other heavy duty service are made to order. Also a complete selection of floating shaft and vertical couplings using the Sphereflex principle are available. An eight-page catalog, No. C-540, describing the coupling is available from the company.

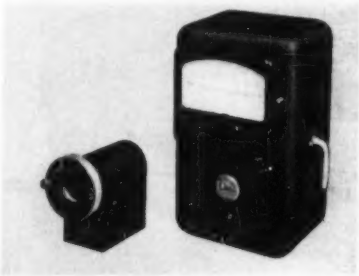
Expansible Resins

A series of expansible resins for silicone foam structures are now available from Dow Corning Corp., Midland, Mich., in the form of "ready-mix" powders. Containing premeasured proportions of resin, filler, blowing agent and catalyst, the mixes melt, foam and cure by themselves when heated. No further mixing or processing is required, the company says.

Non-toxic, easily handled and unaffected by humidity or atmospheric pressure, the

mixes can be cast into sheets or blocks, made up as sandwich structures, or foamed in place. According to the company, only negligible pressure is exerted during expansion, so that molds may be light weight and do not require preheating. Density can be controlled from 8 to 18 lb per cu ft by varying the expansion temperatures, and, in many applications, the foam can be post-cured in service.

Three separate mixes are currently available in commercial quantities. Identified as R-7001, R-7002 and R-7003, they produce a graduated range of mechanical strengths at elevated temperatures. Finished foams are characterized by a uniform, spherical, unicellular pattern. All remain stable at as high as 700 F and exhibit good physical and electrical properties, low moisture absorption and thermal insulating values in the range of .3 Btu per h per sq ft per deg F per ft.



Photoelectric Pyrometer

Photoswitch Div., Electronics Corp. of America, Dept. P 194, 77 Broadway, Cambridge 42, Mass., announces the development of a photoelectric pyrometer for industry designed to make possible the precise monitoring and control of the temperature of hot materials.

The control operates from the amount of infra-red radiation emitted by the hot object, and since the radiation increases proportionally with the temperature, a constant indication is given of the heat of the material being scanned. Through a fast-acting relay, the heat applied to the material can be closely controlled at any point throughout the range of the set. Since no part of the equipment touches the hot object, the system is ideal for measuring the temperature of objects that are moving, or are surrounded by induction heating coils, or are in any way difficult to measure by conventional means.

Suggested applications for the unit include induction heating, forging processes, molten iron and steel, welding operations, upsetting processes, wire drawing, rolling mills, kilns, laboratories, industrial ovens, smelters, open hearth furnaces, header machines, glass processing.

The complete system comprises two units: a scanner Type 41AU4 consisting of a phototube and lens assembly with a variable iris, and a control Type 27LJ7 containing an electronic amplifier, a relay and a meter. As the temperature of the hot object being

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scanned rises, the increase in radiation is indicated on the meter which can be calibrated in degrees for the particular application. In addition, the heavy duty control relay can be set to operate at any temperature within the range of the set.

A sensitivity adjustment allows the point at which the relay operates to be pre-set, providing automatic control of signal devices or of the heat applied to the hot object The variable iris of unique design will cut down the radiation reaching the phototube, allowing the equipment to respond accurately even to the highest temperatures. In addition, an instrument such as an Esterline-Angus Recorder (zero to 1 milliampere) can be connected into the circuit to provide a continuous chart of temperature variations.

Automatic Control

A pneumatic control for the Speed-Trol, variable speed transmission, has been announced by Sterling Electric Motors, Inc., 5401 Telegraph Rd., Los Angeles 22, Calif.

The Conoflow pneumatic control utilizes a Cono motor and provides an automatically controlled drive for processing operations involving variables such as pressure, temperature, liquid level, proportional flow and control of rewind, the company's engineers say. The control is available in both manual and automatic types which are sensitive to many types of electric, mechanical or pressure signals.

The company says the control is one of the innovations for speed changing that can be applied to the Speed-Trol. The infinitely variable speed transmission has finger tip control of speed change, positively displaced variable pitch diameter pulleys, especially designed variable speed V-belt. It is available in either standard or special electrical characteristics, in single, double and triple reduction gear combinations with a wide variety of mounting options. Each type of Speed-Trol with gears can be mounted without modification on floor, wall or ceiling with shaft horizontal or vertical, the according to the company.

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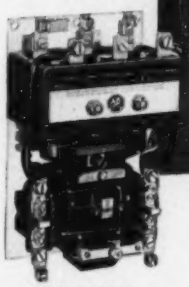
SPECIAL CONTROL PANEL

OILTIGHT PUSH BUTTON STATIONS

Quality MOTOR CONTROLS for Automatic Machines



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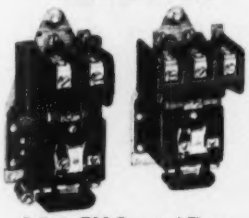

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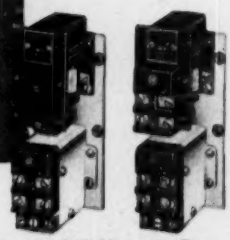

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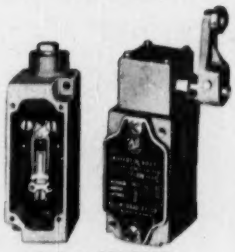

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Bulletin 700 Universal A-C 4-Pole Relay

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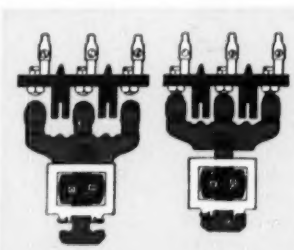

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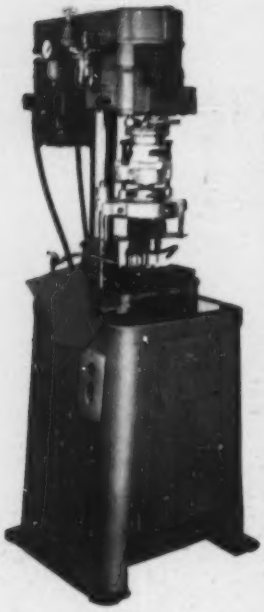

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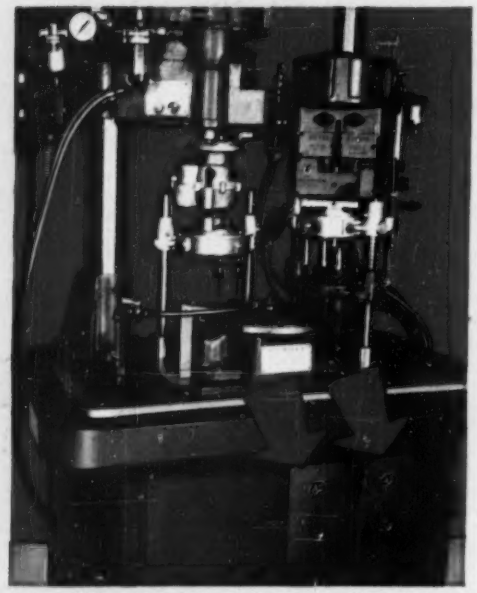
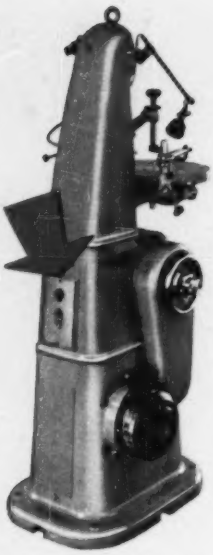


Ettco multiple spindle drilling and tapping machine with two Allen-Bradley Bulletin 609 manual flush type motor starters.

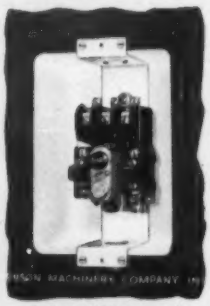


Williams punch and die making machine with A-B flush type starter.

Improve the appearance of your machines with A-B flush type motor starters

When contemplating the design of a new machine, take advantage of the opportunity to "streamline" your design by recessing into the base of the machine at least the starter—and perhaps this can also be done with the motor.

Look at the trim appearance of the three motorized machines shown above. Note how the designers have provided recessed cavities for flush type Allen-Bradley Bulletin 609 manual motor starters.



Bulletin 609 manual starter in machine base

These flush type motor starters give a smooth, modern appearance to the machines and, therefore, provide a "sales value" that can be used to advantage.

Allen-Bradley Bulletin 609 manual starters, Bulletin 709 automatic starters, and Bulletin 712-713 combination starters can be furnished in several types of flush mountings. They are fully described in the Allen-Bradley Handy Catalog. Send for a copy, today.

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Quantity Control Valves

A line of quantity control valves said to eliminate the severe hydraulic shock accompanying rapid cut-off of large-volume flows has been introduced by Rockwell Mfg. Co., 400 N. Lexington Ave., Pittsburgh 8, Pa.

The valves are available in 6, 4, 3 and 2-in. sizes and are designed to be used in conjunction with a Rockwell developed multi-stage register latching device on Rotocycle meters. The meters have rated capacities of 20 gpm minimum to 800 gpm maximum for the 2 to 6-in. sizes.

Rapid closure with only relatively slight increases in pressure is one of the outstanding operating characteristics claimed for the valves. Closure time varies from $7^1/_2$ sec for the smaller, to $12^1/_2$ sec for the larger sizes. In each case, closure is accomplished in three stages, each lasting a few seconds.

The company says the valves are expected to have wide application in the refinery and marketing operations of the petroleum industry. The 6-in. size is especially adapted for the automatic filling of field storage tanks, sea-going tankers, barges, railroad tank cars and large transport trucks.

The 3-in. and 4-in. valves are particularly suitable for use in loading tank trucks at bulk plant terminals, the manufacturer reports.

Computer Introduced

A new instrument designed to meet the needs of intricate applications where close computing accuracy is required has been developed by the Taylor Instrument Cos. Called the Transet computing relay, it is claimed to be capable of adding, subtracting, averaging and ratioing. Up to three separate pneumatic input presssures with an accuracy of .5 per cent can be bandled by the computer, the company says.

The company recommends the instrument for any process where two or three different signals must be compared and where variables are required to maintain a constant relationship to each other. The relay is a pneumatic force-balance transmitter whose output is linear to any input pressure changes.

Additional information is available from the company, 95 Ames St., Rochester 1, N. Y.

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Universal Line of Pullers

Blackhawk Mfg. Co., Milwaukee 46, Wis., announces a complete line of 127 Pullers and Pulling Attachments to fill all maintenance requirements.

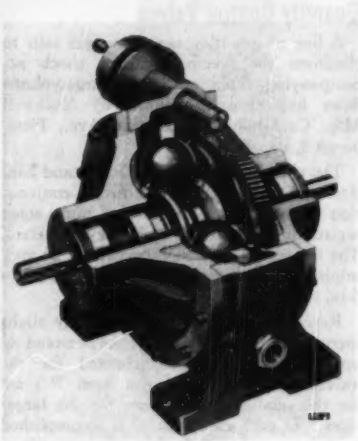
The company says new 2- and 3-arm pullers spread to hold up to 36-in. diam. and have capacities up to 50 tons. A special "power-pitched" buttress thread enables mechanics to develop 30 per cent more torque than with standard thread, claims Blackhawk. Lips of pulling arms are reversible for inside and outside pulling, and basic parts are interchangeable between corresponding sizes of 2- and 3-arm pullers. Threads are precision cut to fit tight with perfect alignment. Cocking or biting into shafts is eliminated because the pullers equalize the strain and pull even so the most stubborn part will come off easily and quickly. Where puller jaws can not be used, matched pulling attachments with thin, knife-like jaws can be forced behind bearings and gears to apply the force of the puller. Sheave pulling attachments are said to have thick lips that fit snugly into grooves to pull gears and wheels without damage.

According to the company the line also includes push-pullers which, with special adaptors, push or pull with capacities up to 35 tons. Interchangeable legs can be moved to accommodate any desired center. Legs are available in different lengths and threaded on the ends to screw into pulling attachments. All Blackhawk Pullers are either cadmium or chrome plated.

Surface Roughness Scales

New cylindrical surface roughness scales, designed as a standard of comparison by sight and touch for internal and external curved surfaces, have been developed by the General Electric Co.'s instrument, Schenectady 5, N. Y. Consisting of two scales each, six in. wide and two in. long, the set is ideal for determining the roughness of surfaces produced by grinding, lapping, honing, superfinishing, turning, boring, drilling and others, according to G-E engineers.

Surface roughness on both scales is specified by numbers stamped on the units' sides which represent the arithmetic average deviation from the mean surface in microinches. The scales provide a standard objective reference by which engineers and draftsmen can designate the roughness and appearance of numerous finishes required for functional purposes. In addition, the scales can be utilized by planners and shop mechanics in determining processing procedure, the engineers claim, and in the selection of tools and equipment necessary to produce specific finishes required by specifications.



Variable Speed Drives

Cleveland Worm & Gear Co., 3249 E. 80th St., Cleveland 4, Ohio, announces a speed variator available in 9 sizes, ranging from 1/3 to 10 hp at 1750 input rpm.

Power is transmitted from the input shaft to the output shaft through alloy steel driving balls which are in pressure contact with disks attached to the two shafts. Relative speeds of the two shafts are adjusted through a 9:1 range (from 1/3 to 3 times the input speed) by changing the angular positioning of the axles on which the balls rotate. According to company engineers, the result of this simple arrangement is an infinitely variable and stepless range of output speeds from one constant speed power source.

Operating efficiencies of 75 to 90 per cent are easily maintained over a wide range of operating conditions, the company says. Coaxial input and output rotate in the same direction, either clockwise or counterclockwise.

Compact Coolant Pump

A new H-6000 series immersion type centrifugal coolant pump has been introduced by Graymills Corp., 3705 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago 13, Ill., to embody space saving possibilities never before obtainable with "big pump" performance. The H-6000 pump is compact in its design, fitting the modern trend of compactness in all types of machine tools, yet it delivers 17 gpm at 12 ft head with water. It is designed to handle liquids, even containing abrasives, through a wide range of viscosity with ample reserve horsepower to prevent overloading the motor to cause pump failure.

The H-6000 series comes in two standard immersion lengths—6 1/2 in. and 8 1/2 in. for all types of machine tools, machinery and for any special application. There is no metal to metal contact between moving parts and the shaft and moving parts are enclosed and protected by the pump casting. A new catalog sheet is available from the company showing dimensions, performance data and installation instructions.

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Process Measurement

An instrument which accurately measures process temperatures and pneumatically transmits the information to a central recording or controlling station has been announced by the Foxboro Co. of Foxboro, Mass. Known as the Model 12A temperature transmitter, it is a nonindicating device of the "force balance" type with a calibrated accuracy of ½ per cent of the temperature span and compensated for ambient temperature and barometric pressure variations.

The transmitter is designed around a gas filled thermal system which exerts force on a flapper-nozzle mechanism in proportion to the measured temperature. The resulting back pressure in the nozzle circuit, amplified through a relay and converted to a force through a bellows, quickly balances out the initial force and constitutes the 3-15 psi output transmitted by low cost tubing to the receiving instrument.

Spans ranging from 50 F to 400 F are available and can be utilized between the limits of −100 F and +1000 F. Three and a half feet of Geon-protected capillary tubing connects temperature bulb to transmitter. A block and clamp mounting arrangement rigidly secures the seven pound instrument to any vertical or horizontal pipe or to a flat surface.

Floating Gearmotor

A floating Gear motor has been developed in response to the need for a roll or conveyor drive which would be entirely self-contained and be located at the point where the power was required by Philadelphia Gear works, Erie Ave. and G. St., Philadelphia 34, Pa. The company says the unit reduces power transmission to its simplest terms. It is mounted directly on the driven shaft to eliminate misalignment between the power unit and driven shaft. A simple torque arm prevents the gear unit from rotating.

The floating Gearmotor can be mounted in almost any location or position. It has a right angle worm and worm gear arrangement to permit the entire unit to nestle close to the driven machine, and is proportioned for 300 per cent peak loading over normal ratings. Housing construction is cast steel or cast iron as required. An eight-page catalog, F-54, describing the floating Gearmotor is available from the company.

6000-Pound Crane Truck

Designed for transporting long, hard-to-manage loads in confined areas, and to reach into normally inaccessible areas, a 6000-lb capacity crane truck has been developed by the Elwell-Parker Electric Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

The crane has a travel speed of 4 mph without a load, and 3½ mph with full load. Hoist speeds: Up, without load—28 fpm, with full load—14 fpn; Down, without load—15 fpn, with full load—26 fpm.

Company engineers say the crane is designed with a slewing action to facilitate handling on either side of the travel area without additional movement. A separate motor drives a grooved drum through worm and planetary gear reduction. An electric limit switch stops travel at the extreme limits of slew travel.

The boom is telescoping, with built-up heavy channel, and features a rigidly reinforced box type construction with ample bracing. The boom, in a telescoped position, measures 12 ft 6 in.; extended, the boom measures 19 ft 2 in. Boom lengths may be varied to suit specific operating requirements.

The magnet, one of many types of attachments which may be used, receives its power from the battery, or from a gas or diesel-electric generating unit. The crane, when using a magnet, is also equipped with an automatic reel operating device the company points out.

Additional information may be obtained from the company, 4205 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland 3, Ohio.

Feedwater Control

One, two and three element feedwater control systems have been developed by the Hays Corp., Michigan City, Ind. The electronic operation of the controller, the company says, provides great speed of transmission and high accuracy of control and is independent of effects due to normal variations in voltage and frequency.

A choice of three systems is offered to meet the requirements of large, medium or small boilers under normal or most severe operating conditions. Present instruments can be utilized and pressures up to 2,500 psig can be accommodated.

Other features include positive valve drive; operative even on cold boilers; mercury-less measuring and transmission for flow and level; direct level measurement; electronic null balance remote operation; independent adjustments for effects of steam flow, water flow and water level; no blow-down necessary.

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Ball Bearing Trolley

A new line of ball bearing trolleys for overhead conveyors is covered in a 20-page book, No. 2536, announced by Link-Belt Co., 307 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. It contains specification data for the selection of new trolleys, or of replacement trolleys for existing installations.

The trolleys, known as Series 500, are for use on 3, 4 or 6-in. I beams. Two types are available: bolted wheel and bracket assembly, for ease of assembly and disassembly; and riveted, for permanent assembly. Special trolleys such as electrified and heavy duty foundry trolleys, are also illustrated. The booklet includes application and maintenance information and a description of the attachments commonly used, and 12 illustrations of typical overhead trolley installations.

Quadrant Orifice Plate

Taylor Instrument Cos. has added a quadrant orifice plate to its line of flow measuring elements. It will be offered as a part of the company's line of calibrated orifice elements.

The quadrant orifice has a rounded approach on its upstream face in contrast to the usual sharp edge to make it insensitive to viscosity changes so long as the throat Reynolds Number does not exceed 250,000. According to the company, extensive tests indicate that this type of orifice can be used with liquids where the throat Reynolds Numbers are as low as 500. The sharp edge orifice shows predictable performance changes in the band of 15,000 to 50,000 and its performance becomes a good deal less predictable for values less than 15,000. In contrast to this, the quadrant type orifice has, for all practical purposes, a constant coefficient over the Reynolds Number range of 500 to 250,000 it is claimed.

The quadrant type of orifice is recommended primarily to measure flow of fluids whose viscosities vary.

Additional information is available from the company, 95 Ames St., Rochester 1, N. Y.

Split Hydraulic Transmissions

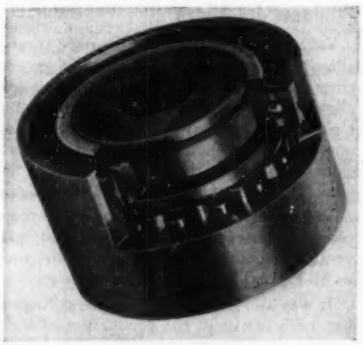
A split hydraulic transmission especially adaptable to textile machinery requirements is now available from Vickers Inc., 1400 Oakman Blvd. Detroit 32, Mich. Completely sealed and self-lubricated, these drives, the company claims, provide cost-saving advantages through long life and absence of troublesome continuous maintenance.

Components of the split hydraulic transmissions are standard units selected to meet the operational requirements of such textile machinery as slashers, pickers, dye becks and continuous washers. According to the company engineers the pump, motor and appropriate valving are combined to provide an efficient positive displacement type fluid power transmission having infinitely variable speed control. Both the pump and the hydraulic motor have controls for regulation of

output speed and power characteristics. Acceleration and deceleration rates are independently adjustable.

The company says split transmissions are particularly useful where special placement of the hydraulic equipment is desirable, such as separation of hydraulic pump and hydraulic motor to meet space limitations or solve alignment problems. They offer particular advantages where drive requirements demand special combinations of a pump and more than one hydraulic motor.

Standard a-c motors are used with the split hydraulic transmissions.



Cam Clutches

A new line of cam clutches for indexing applications in a wide variety of machinery drives is now available from Morse Chain Co., 7601 Central Ave., Detroit 10, Mich. Designated as series HT cam clutches, this new line of self-contained units includes a single row ball bearing that helps maintain concentricity of the inner and outer races.

Series HT clutches are designated for application on stepped shafts in machinery drives. The customer supplies a standard snap-ring ball bearing for supporting the opposite end of the unit, which has an outer race bore ground to fit the outside diameter of standard single row snap-ring ball bearings. According to the company, typical applications include general duty over-running and backstop operations, feed rolls, spring coilers, metal forming equipment, dual drives, and two-speed applications.

The new series feature constant pitch spacing, alternate cam and roller construction. The clutch cams are a specially designed shape to avoid cam roll-over under peak or torsional loads. Low locking angles on the cam faces are said to assure self-energizing action of each cam. An auxiliary energizing spring insures energizing of all cams under light loads and varying conditions.

Audio Generator

An extended frequency range, improved amplifier and the addition of an output attenuator and voltmeter are new features on the type 1304-B beat-frequency audio generator introduced by General Radio Co., 275 Massachussetts Ave, Cambridge 39, Mass.

The output frequency extends from 20 cycles to 40,000 cycles in two ranges with a calibration accuracy of ±(1 per cent + 0.5 cycle). Frequency dial, with logarithmic calibration, can be coupled directly to recorder. Synchronous motor dial drives are also available.

The output amplifier uses the new single-ended push-pull circuit and supplies one watt into a 600-ohm load with less than 0.25 per cent distortion between 100 and 10,000 cycles, according to the company.

The audio generator provides a calibrated output voltage. Output level is indicated by a meter and an attenuator setting, in both volts and dbm. Full-scale, open-circuit output voltages of 50 mv, 500 mv, 5 v, and 50 v are provided with a basic voltmeter accuracy of ±5 per cent of the voltmeter reading.

Butterfly Valves

Builders-Providence, Inc., a division of B-I-F Industries, Inc., 345 Harris Ave., Providence, R. I., has announced that it is extending its line of butterfly valves to include rubber-seated, tight-closing butterfly valves for general service. According to the company, utilitarian design and rugged construction are combined for positive, trouble-free performance in these valves which meet the American Water Works Association's tentative standard specifications for rubber-seated butterfly valves, AWWA C504-54T. Accessories include manual, electric, hydraulic and pneumatic operators.

Builders-Providence representatives in the United States and Canada will handle the valve sales. Bulletins and technical data are available from the company.

Magnetism Recorder

General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y. has developed a new device said to do away with hours of laborious measurement and calculation to determine the magnetic characteristics of metal.

Called a d-c recording hysteresigraph, it traces the magnetic signature of a metal directly onto a scaled chart in a matter of minutes. The usual method of obtaining the same information requires long calculation, using data gathered from sensitive ballistic galvanometers. The hysteresigraph is able to compile and calculate these data with the use of two fluxmeters which integrates the flux voltage continuously.

Nine different sensitivities in the hysteresigraph range from a full scale reading of 0-2000 interlinkages to 0-1,000,000 interlinkages. These enable the accurate measurement of materials ranging from ferrites to high permeability nickel iron alloys.

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Multi-Purpose Fastener

Townsend Co., New Brighton, Pa., has announced development of a new multi-purpose fastener with a one-piece metal washer-head and assembled neoprene washer for use in preventing leaks, for protecting surfaces, absorbing shock and stopping squeaks. It is called Tuff-Tite.

When the new fastener is seated, the company says, an undercut in the washer head traps and controls the flow of the neoprene at the outside edge, forming a perfect water-tight and air-tight seal.

Use of Tuff-Tite in the construction field provides water-tight fastening of galvanized steel, protected metal, stainless steel, aluminum, plastic and other roofing and siding construction materials.

The fasteners have been approved by the U. S. Department of Agriculture for use in grain storage bin construction.

The neoprene washer also acts as a shock absorber to prevent squeaks and chatter in railroad passenger cars, automobiles and heating ducts where vibration noise is a problem. According to the company, the washer, in the appliance field, provides a cushion for the fastener and permits tight seating without marring porcelain enamel and other fine surfaces which must be blemish-free.

The fasteners are said to provide greater assembly speed, simplify inventories and reduce labor costs. The lower profile gives a neater appearance. Leaks between the head of the fastener and metal washer are eliminated since they are one piece.

Neoprene washers can be pre-assembled and applied to self-tapping screws, thread cutting screws, drive screws, stove bolts, machine screws, wood screws, nails and special products. The fasteners are available in stainless, carbon and alloy steel as well as many non-ferrous materials, such as aluminum and copper. Screw diameters smaller than No. 6 (.140 inches) are not recommended fasteners.

New Thermostat in Regulator

Temperature regulators containing a new type thermal element have been developed for use on internal combustion engines and other temperature control applications by the Fulton Sylphon Div. of Robertshaw-Fulton Controls Co., Box 400, Knoxville, Tenn. The new regulators are supplied with three-way valves.

Changing over from the conventional liquid or gas-filled thermal element, the new regulators contain an unusual Power-Pill unit, which is charged with a solid, wax-like compound, the company explains. When subjected to heat the special wax-like compound imprisoned in the unit melts and expands, generating an extremely powerful force by comparison with older thermostatic units. The heated liquid returns to a solid state upon cooling.

The new regulators are insensitive to internal pressures of the system in which they are installed, an important performance factor where systems are under pressure. They are considerably smaller in size and lower in cost than existing regulators for similar applications. The regulators contain from one to four Power-Pill units, depending upon the size of the valves, which are available in sizes ranging from 2 and 6 in.

All repairs, replacements of parts, and adjustments can be made without removing the valve from the pipe line, it was stated. Temperature settings are available in the range from 120 F to 190 F in 10 to 15 deg increments, and may be altered by changing units.

Produces Jet Alloys

Vacuum melted, high-temperature special alloys for turbine wheel buckets of jet engines and other applications, headed by a new alloy said to be capable of withstanding higher temperatures than any wrought alloy now in production, are being produced on a commercial basis by Carboloy Dept. of General Electric Co., Detroit, 32, Michigan.

The new jet alloy has stress rupture properties superior to those exhibited by conventional wrought turbine bucket alloys such as M-252 and S-816, the company says.

It was also revealed that General Electric has been active in the production of high-temperature metals at the research labora-

tory in Schenectady for the past eight years, and that, to date, the company has produced about 100,000 lb of the special alloys, specifically for its Aircraft Gas Turbine Div.

Carboloy's position as the manufacturing and marketing outlet for metallurgical products of the parent company, and the intense interest in new high-temperature materials, both within and outside the company, brought about the decision to enter the specialty alloy circle of producers, the company stated.

Initial output, according to the announcement, will be from a pilot plant comprising a 400-lb vacuum melting furnace, capable of producing 100,000 lb of high-temperature alloys annually. Vanadium-Alloys Steel Co., Latrobe, Pa., will continue to convert the 400-lb ingots produced by the pilot plant into bars, strip, sheet and other shapes.

It is expected that within a short time high-temperature resistant alloys of nickel or cobalt-chromium base, hardened with molybdenum, tungsten, carbon, titanium and aluminum will be produced to withstand temperatures of over 1600 F, according to the company.

Solenoid Valves

Automatic Switch Co., 391 Lakeside Ave., Orange, N. J., has announced a new line of solenoid valves designed for use in controlling the flow of air, gas, water, light oil and other non-corrosive fluids. The valves are available normally closed or normally open, with standard, watertight or explosion-proof solenoid enclosures.

Designed to fit pipe sizes of $^3/_8$, $^1/_2$, $^3/_4$ and 1 in., the normally open valves are said to have a maximum pressure of 250 psi on air. Normally closed valves are rated 200 psi on air. All metal parts in contact with fluids are brass or stainless steel. The company says class A coils are supplied as standard and class H glass silicone insulated coils and luxolene molded coils are available.

The valves are designed for use on all standard a-c and d-c voltages. Power consumption is 10 w. Form 708, covering the new line, is available from the manufacturer.

Electronic Test Unit

A new portable, self-contained, electronic test device for vibration and shock analysis has been marketed by the York Div. of the Bendix Aviation Corp., York, Pa.

The company says the unit represents a big advancement in stroboscopic observation—the use of a synchronized light source to observe the effect of vibration and shock on many of today's industrial products. The device is called Flash-Lok and is designed to eliminate time-consuming adjustments required of former methods to synchronize the speed of light flashes with the vibration of the object being tested, the company says.

Excitation for the device is derived directly from electrically driven vibration equipment, or from an accelerometer attached to mechanical equipment. The light source flashes at a one- or five-cycle rate differing from the vibrating base in order to observe either slow motion, for detailed study and analysis, or fast motion for general detection or resonances. The light flashes may also be locked exactly to the vibration frequency if desired.

Synchronization of the light source at the difference frequency with the vibrating base is maintained automatically throughout the operating frequency range of 30–2000 cps. The unit is furnished with one 1D21 flash lamp, reflector and connecting cord as standard equipment. Space is provided in the instrument cabinet for storing the lamp when not in use. Provisions have also been made to operate a second 1D21 should the need arise. A jack is provided for connection of commercially available white light sources when extra brilliance is required.

The unit weighs less than 21 lb and measures only $9^1/_2$ in. high, $8^1/_4$ in. wide, and $12^1/_2$ in. deep. It operates from a standard 115-v source and requires 65 w of power.

Industrial X-Ray Unit

MG 60 fluoroscopy and radiography unit for industrial inspection, production control and scientific purposes that is self-contained, light-weight and easily portable, has been announced by the research and control instruments div., North American Philips Co., Inc., 750 S. Fulton Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y.

The unit detects metallic foreign matter and locates contact parts and connectors in insulating materials, helps in the control of fabric layers in rubber, and reveals metallic contents of luggage, parcels in customs and police offices. It is recommended for use in the packaged food industry by the company.

The unit is designed for continuous operation. The X-ray tube has a small focal spot, 1mm.

It takes power from 110 or 220 v, a-c. Current consumption is approximately 2 am and permissible continuous output is 4 ma at 60 Kvp. The X-ray unit is 17 × $8^3/_8$ × $8^3/_8$ in. and weighs 46 lb. Control unit is $8^1/_4$ × $6^3/_8$ × $5^1/_2$ in. and weighs 14 lb. Fluoroscopi box is 16 × 22 × $23^1/_4$ ins. and weighs 50 lb.

Universal and Dual Amplifiers

Two new amplifiers, Model BL-520 universal amplifier and the Model BL-530 dual channel d-c amplifier, have been announced by Brush Electronics Co., 3405 Perkins Ave., Cleveland 14, Ohio.

The new universal amplifier is a very high gain carrier amplifier that accepts signals from both resistive and inductive transducers. The company claims it will measure and record on a direct writing oscillograph such things as strain, force, pressure, temperature, displacement, vibration, acceleration, and motion.

The amplifier has a maximum sensitivity equivalent to $^1/_8$ μ v per chart mm, or, for strain measurements, .25 μ in. per in. A d-c medium gain amplifier section with calibrated attenuator may be used eparately for voltage and current measurements, according to the company.

The dual channel d.c. amplifier, will accept both single-ended and differential signals with a 50 mv sensitivity and provides for accurate calibration of the recorded signals.

Both amplifiers provide for balancing out voltages up to 10 times full scale at input signal levels up to 500 v.

Multiple Unit Valves

A new series of compact multiple unit valves designed specifically for mobile machinery service is now available from Vickers Inc., 1400 Oakman Blvd., Detroit 32, Mich.

Designated Series CM 11, the new valves meet the requirements of heavy duty mobile equipment applications. Improved metering characteristics permit greater precision in nudging, crowding, and inching operations, according to the company. The new multiple unit valves are particularly applicable to materials handling equipment, road and construction machinery, farm implements and trucks.

The valves are made up of standardized and interchangeable units assembled in combinations up to 8 sections between special compact combination inlet and outlet units. The new inlet section is a single casting that combines inlet manifold, operating valve and relief valve; the new outlet unit is also a one-piece casting combining outlet manifold, operating valve and end plate. Company engineers say this combined form makes the valve physically smaller than would be possible using all separate sections. Individual end plates are also available for applications involving the use of a single operating valve.

Automatic Blending Process

Richardson Scale Co., Clifton, N.J., announces a new remote weight-control system for continuously and accurately blending additives with process material.

Features of the system include the batch weighing of additives, continuous weighing of process material and the remote selection of weight ratios using a single dial control. Advantages claimed by the company are rigid process control, immediate start-up,

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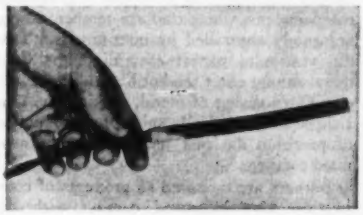
quick formula changing, precise weighing of additives, and operation over a wide range of weight ratios.

Products handled include chemicals, foods, feeds, fertilizers, tobaccos, plastics, and cement & rock products. Components of the system are an automatic hopper scale, electric control system, control panel and a constant-weight belt feeder.

In operation, process material drops on the belt feeder and discharges into a mixer. Batches of an additive material are weighed out and automatically discharged into the same mixer. Signal for the discharge of additives is transmitted via an impulser on the belt feeder. Thus, the flow of material leaving the belt feeder determines the rate of discharge of additive material.



Strain Gage

A simple and efficient new embedment type strain gage for concrete is announced by Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp., Philadelphia 42, Pa. The new gage, known as the Baldwin SR-4 Valore type concrete embedment strain gage, incorporates an SR-4 resistance wire strain gage with an effective length of three inches.

The new strain gage, developed by Rudolph C. Valore, Jr., Materials Engineer, National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C., and its performance has been described in the bureau's Circular No. 528. The wire element is sealed in a brass envelope .01 in. thick and .5 in. wide. Its overall length is 6 in. Leads are a twisted pair of solid No. 20 conductor, Neoprene insulated to .125 in. diameter and sealed with wax in an opened end of the brass envelope as protection against moisture in the concrete before it has set.

Two types of gage are announced. One is self-temperature-compensated for mild steel over the range of 0-100 F to correspond with the average coefficient of expansion of concrete. This coefficient is 0.0000065 in. per deg F. The other gage is not so compensated. Both have a gage factor of 2 and resistance of 300 ohms.

Miniature D-C Motor

A new miniature permanent magnet d-c motor, built for extremely long-life operation, has been developed by El Ray Motor Co. of North Hollywood, Calif. Designated the Model 1300-1 gear motor, it is 2.8 in. long, with ano utside dimensional width of 1-1/8 in. Weight of the motor is 4-1/2 oz.

The new model has been especially designed for timing equipment and other applications requiring constant speed under con-

tinuous use. The company says the unit meets or exceeds all applicable requirements of AN-M-40. It may be designed for any input voltage from 6 to 30 volts d-c, has an output of 6 watts maximum for continuous duty or 12 watts maximum for intermittent duty. The output of the motor can be designed for any speed from 1/2 to 9,000 rpm, depending on the gearing installed.

The motor has an aluminum alloy case with plastic molded brush housing. The company says the ball bearings are sealed and greased for the life of the motor, and the armature assembly has been built with a high degree of precision manufacture to insure long life and trouble-free operation. The motor can be supplied with loads or feed-through terminals, and can also be supplied with a governor which increases the length of the motor by 5/8 in. The governor provides a control range of ± 1 per cent for a constant load over ± 10 per cent voltage range.

Aluminum Melting Furnace

A new dry hearth double-chamber melting furnace has been developed by Eclipse Fuel Engineering Co. for quality melting, die casting, or permanent molding of aluminum parts requiring a minimum of porosity.

Basic design consists of separate melting and holding baths in a single unit. The furnace has a high melting rate and uniform pouring temperature. Production per square foot of floor space is approximately 50 per cent higher than that obtained with crucible furnaces, and fuel consumption per pound of metal is 40 per cent lower.

Aluminum is charged through the door into the sloping hearth, and melts at a high rate. Hearth in melting area is designed to allow molten aluminum to flow into the holding compartment, where uniform temperature is accurately controlled by instruments. Two dip vestibules permit easy dipping. Cold metal cannot enter the hot bath. The design eliminates gasing of metal, making the new Eclipse furnace ideally suited for production of precision die cast parts and permanent mold castings.

Burners are mounted so products of combustion have improved contact with the metal without flame impingement. Pilot is integral with main burner. Venting through the arch reduces heat around the furnace. Other construction features include: heavy 4 in. angle main frame construction, convenient side counterweighted doors, non-wetting inner liner and 5 in. insulation.

Furnaces are available in 12 standard sizes up to 2000 lb per hour capacity, for gas, oil or combination gas-oil firing. Dip vestibules may be arranged for end, single-side, or double-side dip out. For further information, contact the manufacturer, Eclipse Fuel Engineering Co., 1002 Buchanan St., Rockford, Ill.

Multichannel Oscillographs

Multichannel direct writing oscillographs featuring four and six channel systems have been announced by Brush Electronics Co. An electrically controlled chart drive system permits instantaneous speed selection. A total range of 16 accurate chart speeds is possible from one centimeter per hour to 250 millimeters per second. All speeds are selected with a front panel control or with an accessory remote control unit.

The same basic chassis, used throughout the series, permits the four channel oscillographs to be expanded to six channels as requirements change. Four or six channel chart paper may be used interchangeably on six channel units.

The Oscillographs can be mounted on roller slides in a standard 19-in. rack or can be furnished in a console for operation on a bench or cart. Both ink writing and combination ink and electric writing units are available. A detailed description may be obtained from Brush Electronics Co., Equipment Dept. RT-1, 3405 Perkins Ave., Cleveland 14, Ohio.

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Mortar-Like Conductor

The Chemax Mfg. Corp., a newly-formed corporation, is producing a mixture of powders and a liquid to form a thermal conducting material, marketing it under the trade name of Tracit. It is said to be a mortar-like material which is self-hardening and when set, is highly resistant to mechanical and thermal shock. Because of good heat conduction, it is useful in conducting heat between surfaces, usually irregular in shape.

Tracit, due to its adhesiveness, is easily applied to surfaces by hand or with a trowel. The company claims that after setting by drying, either in air or forced drying, the material bonds strongly to a surface. One suggested use of the material is its application over traced pipe, valves or equipment where it is desirable to maintain a constant temperature by the addition or subtraction of heat. In this use, it is an alternate to the more expensive method of jacketing.

Because of its excellent heat transfer and high compressive strength, Tracit is also recommended by the company for the floors of radiant heated homes or plants where good distribution of the heat in the tubing is desired. Write to the Company, 900 Wilmington Rd., New Castle, Del.

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Names New Distributor

Chain Belt Co., Milwaukee 1, Wis. has announced the appointment of the Stevenson Machine Co., as a distributor, authorized to sell Chain Belt products in and around Lockland, and Cincinnati, Ohio. Business to be served by this new line of products will be chiefly in the industrial and manufacturing fields. In conjunction with its sales department, the Stevenson Machine Co. also operates a complete machine shop employing 40 people.

Indianapolis Outlet

Insul-Mastic reinforced asphaltic coatings manufactured by Insul-Mastic Corp. of America, 141 Oliver Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa., are now being sold and applied in the Indianapolis district by Malcolm Builders, Inc. This firm will employ the coatings for resurfacing old, weatherbeaten buildings and for rustproofing steel structures in industrial plants.

Eureka Appointed by Clark

Eureka Boiler Works, Eureka, Calif., has been appointed to sell and service the fork-lift trucks, straddle-carriers and other materials handling equipment manufactured by the Industrial Truck Div. of Clark Equipment Co.

The dealer will handle the Clark line in the California counties of Sisikiyou, Del Norte, Humboldt, Trinity and Mendocino.

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50TH Anniversary

Pangborn Corp., Hagerstown, Md., manufacturer of blast cleaning and dust control equipment, recently celebrated its 50th anniversary. Participating in the event, which featured an open house at the company's home plant, was Thomas W. Pangborn, founder and president of the firm.

A tribute program was held, and employes unveiled a bronze plaque honoring the achievements of the president and his brother, John C. Pangborn, first vice president. Theodore R. McKeldin, governor of Maryland, spoke briefly and presented the official tribute of the state honoring the contributions of the company to the economic well-being of the state and its support of religious, charitable, educational, medical and scientific institutions.

Clark Distributor

The newly-formed Wiley Equipment Co., 710 Tenth St., Atlanta, Ga., has been appointed to sell and service the line of fork trucks, straddle carriers and other materials handling equipment manufactured by the Industrial Truck Div. of Clark Equipment Co.

The dealer will handle the Clark products in the Georgia counties north and west of and including the counties of Screven, Jenkins, Emanuel, Candler, Montgomery, Jeff Davis, Coffee, Atkinson and Clinch.

To Build New Plant

Rockwell Mfg. Co. has announced the selection of Russellville, Ky., as the site for a new plant expected to go into operation in mid-1955. The plant will be located on a 30 acre site and will have from 80,000 to 100,000 sq. ft. of floor space. It is expected to cost from $800,000 to $1,000,000 exclusive of production equipment. Construction will start in early January and initial occupancy is scheduled during May.

New Kaiser Distributor

Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Sales, Inc., announces the appointment of American Brass & Copper Co., 1920 Union St., Oakland 7, Calif., as a distributor of its full line of aluminum rod, bar, sheet products and extrusions. The territory covered by the distributor includes northern California from Fresno north to the Oregon border and east to Reno, Nev.

Facilities for handling the wide range of aluminum industrial products include a new overhead crane installed by American Brass & Copper and a 12-foot shear, a slitter, bar saws and other special equipment for customer service. Special trucks provide two daily deliveries to aluminum users in the San Francisco-Oakland Bay area.

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Ampco Distributor

Ampco Metal, Inc., has announced the appointment of the Industrial Supply Co., 451–453 E. Broad St., Hazleton, Pa., as its exclusive distributor in the Wilkes-Barre, Hazleton sales area.

The company will carry a full line of Ampco bronze weldrod products consisting of Ampco-Trode (aluminum bronze) 10, 160, 200, 250, and 300 (a-c or d-c), Phos-Trode and Mang-Trode electrodes. Also supplied will be bare filler rods and coiled wire for the automatic and semi-automatic welding processes.

Centrifugal Pumps

Cameron Pump Div., Ingersoll-Rand, 11 Broadway, New York 4, N. Y., has issued a 16-page catalog covering the company's cradle-mounted centrifugal pumps with capacities of 5 to 2800 gpm at pressures of 10 to 525 ft. total head.

Design and dimension data is diagrammed, and performance data is given in tabular form. Installation and application data is also included in the bulletin.

Tungsten Alloy

A new technical data sheet covering the latest information on machinability and other physical properties of Hevimet, a high tungsten alloy twice as heavy as lead, produced by powder metallurgy, is announced by Carboloy Dept. of General Electric Co., Detroit 32, Mich.

The data sheet, HV-4, also includes a graph comparing the absorption rate of Hevimet and lead under a narrow beam of cobalt 60, in addition to detailed mechanical, thermal, electrical and other property evaluations.

Rubber Engineering

Plastic and Rubber Products Co. of 2100 Hyde Park Blvd., Los Angeles 47, Calif. and Parco Rubber Products Co. of Houston, Tex., announce a new informative pictorial brochure, No. 1090, "Customized Rubber Engineering", describing the types of materials, methods, measurements and specifications used by Plastic and Rubber Products and their new Houston plant in regard to hydraulic sealing problems.

Microprint Reader

Eastman Kodak Company has published a folder illustrating and describing its new Kodagraph microprint reader, a device designed to be used in offices and libraries where literature and reference books have been reduced to microprint cards.

The folder notes that as many as 60 standard book pages may be reproduced photographically in miniature on one side of a standard 3 × 5 in. library catalog size microprint card, or larger. Illustrated in full color, the new folder points out features of the reader which the company says it is now manufacturing in quantities to make the microprint idea a practical reality.

Remote Indication

Evershey & Vignoles, Ltd., Acton Lane Works, Chiswick, London W.4., has issued a 28-page bulletin on remote indication and centralized control. Illustrations and diagrams outline the use of instruments in this field in waterworks, docks and harbors, sewage and drainage, sewage disposal, steel works, oil refineries, power plants, and gas works.

Roller Bearings

Hyatt Bearings Div., General Motors Corp., Harrison, N. J., has issued catalog 150, containing dimensions, load ratings and application data on the company's solid roller bearings, solid race bearings, split race bearings, industrial inch bearings.

The 68-page catalog contains tables of engineering and dimension data, diagrams and photographs of the various types of bearings.

Engine Couplings

Two new data sheets, FS41–54, describing Morflex industrial engine flywheel flexible coupling units are now available from Morse Chain Co., 7601 Central Ave., Detroit 10, Mich.

These sheets illustrate and list specifications for standard units that will fit eight models of Chrysler industrial engines and twenty-nine models of Ford industrial engines. The units include a long-life, torsionally flexible, shock-resistant, weatherproof standard Morflex coupling and a balanced cast iron adapter plate that bolts to the engine flywheel through the clutch bolt circle holes. The units are sold with the adapter plate drilled to suit the particular engine model and no drilling or machining is required by the customer.

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Plastisol Coatings

Data on application technique for low-cost plastisol coatings on wire goods, paper, fabric, foil and electrical assemblies are made available in a new 36-page booklet on Bakelite vinyl dispersion resin QYNV. The new booklet also describes compounding and production of plastisols based on this resin as well as its general properties. Copies of the booklet, "Bakelite Vinyl Dispersion Resin QYNV, Technical Release No. 14", can be obtained from Bakelite Co., a division of Union Carbide and Carbon Corp., 30 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y.

Worms, Worm Gears

Boston Gear Works, Quincy 71, Mass., has announced the availability of its textbook on worms and worm gears, the third in the company's engineering textbook series.

The 114-page book covers the basic principles and applications of worms and worm gears and is illustrated with diagrams. Everyday practical gear problems are presented along with methods for solving them. Material is presented slowly, step by step, to avoid confusing the student, and each section is summarized. Cost of the book is $3.25.

Power Piping

Blaw-Knox Co., Power Piping and Sprinkler Div., Pittsburgh, Pa., has issued bulletin 2443, an eight-page booklet of illustrations of power piping. The booklet also contains information on the use of functional spring hangers and piping suspension.

Electronic Fan Bulletin

The extended line of Axivane fans for aviation and electronic applications is described in a new bulletin, J-614, announced by Joy Mfg. Co., Oliver Bldg. Pittsburgh 22, Pa. A summary of the features qualifying the units for these applications is included with specifications for the 80 standard models.

The company says vaneaxial design, with aluminum and magnesium construction, results in lightweight, sturdy, compact, powerful units for a variety of duties requiring efficient circulation of hot or cold air in aircraft, and specialized complex applications involving airborne or ground located electronic equipment.

Temperature Controller

Descriptive literature on what is called the first indicating temperature controller to utilize a thermistor as the sensing element, is now available from the manufacturer, Fenwal Inc., Ashland, Mass.

In addition to listing complete performance specifications of the unit, Series 560, the brochure also covers the unique design features accruing from the use of the thermistor. Features include selective control (either on-off or proportional), a response differential adjustable down to 0.25 per cent of scale (scale range 200 to 600 F), unusual mechanical and electrical stability plus simplicity of operation and maintenance.

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Precision Cams

A four-page, two-color bulletin illustrating and describing a wide variety of types and sizes of cams for practically any kind of application has been announced as available by Ford Instrument Co. The bulletin lists cams in two major groupings: "3-dimensional" (two inputs) and single-input cams.

Information on construction and applications, and data on sizes, tolerances and materials are provided. A section is devoted to this firm's cam production facilities and design service. The bulletin is available from Ford Instrument Co., Div. of the Sperry Corp., 31-10 Thomson Ave., Long Island City 1, N.Y.

Teflon Gaskets, Accessories

United States Gasket Co., Camden 1, N.J., has announced an eight-page brochure which includes several types of Teflon jacketed, chemically-impervious gaskets, including special designs for metal, Haveg, Karbate, glass-lined, Pyrex and porcelain connections. Also listed are Teflon-jacketed adaptors for connecting nozzles of unlike sizes and materials, and Teflon expansion joints and flexible couplings.

Printed Circuits

Photocircuits Corp., Glen Cove, N. Y., has issued a bulletin outlining information on printed circuit boards, printed circuit subassemblies, and the company's design engineering service. The company lists as benefits of the printed circuits lower wiring costs, reduced assembly time, circuit reproducibility, improved reliability, miniaturization and product improvement.

Electronic Data Systems

Literature describing the company's electronic data processing systems and their uses for purely scientific purposes to modern commercial applications in business and industry are now available from Remington Rand Inc., 315 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N. Y.

The various booklets, pamphlets and reprints, describe how the company's electronic computer systems perform in record time and with guaranteed accuracy such jobs as statistical reports, engineering problems, scientific analyses, pricing and rate studies, forecasting, production planning, design studies, valuation studies, payrolls, general accounting, and other vital statistics and data.

Included in the material are detailed reports on "The Role of General Purpose Digital Computers in Automatic Control and Information," "Notes on the Logic of the Univac Scientific," "The Univac Tube Program," "Application of the Univac System to Invoicing."

Reprints include "Electronics Down to Earth," "GE and Univac: Harnessing the High-Speed Computer," "Life Insurance Gets the Univac," "They Met a Deadline," "Computing Material Requirements."

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Alloys Bulletin

General information and technical data on vacuum-melted metals and alloys, as well as several commercial services now available in connection with such metals, are included in a new technical bulletin issued by Carboloy Dept. of General Electric Co., Detroit 32, Mich.

The publication, referred to as technical bulletin VM-100, covers the department's background and experience and that of the company's research laboratory in producing these special alloys, new alloys now available, and their physical properties.

Processing Equipment

Badger Mfg. Co., Cambridge 41, Mass., has released a comprehensive bulletin outlining its broad services in the fields of design and construction of process plants and process units; design and/or fabrication of special processing equipment, including a variety of trays and boiling caps; corrugated type expansion joints, both directed flexing, self-equalizing and non-equalizing; and vapor compression stills for purifying water in production volumes.

Copper, Brass Information

Copper & Brass Research Assn., 420 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y., is issuing a quarterly magazine to provide interesting and timely information about copper and copper-base alloy mill products and their role in industry, communication, transportation and building.

Oil Burners

Bulletin No. 107 on high velocity oil burners is now ready for general distribution. From Thermal Research and Engineering Corp., Conshohocken, Pa. It contains complete information including operating principles, applications, dimensions and output data. The company says the burners are well suited for use in furnaces, ovens and dryers, kilns and in numerous specialized applications such as ladle heating, skelp furnaces, pressurized air heaters, bell kilns and submerged combustion equipment.

Surface Condensers

Data and technical information on problems of power plant engineering are contained in a new 20-page booklet released by Allis-Chalmers on the proportioning of surface condensing equipment.

The booklet concerns itself with surface condensers, how they operate, their nomenclature and definitions. It describes factors entering into the proportioning and selection of surface condensers, provides formulae for use in calculating the performance of a given condenser, and carries a variety of curves and tables for quick reference. Also included in the booklet is information on the chemical composition of tubes and recommended surfaces and tube proportions. Copies are available on request from Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., 940 S. 70th Street, Milwaukee, Wis.

Crown Couplings Bulletin

The De Laval Steam Turbine Co., Trenton, N. J., has issued a new bulletin describing its line of crown couplings. Included is an illustration showing an exploded view of the coupling and a table containing data necessary to select the correct coupling for a given application. Prices are specified. Bulletin 2203 available on request to the company.

Steel Forgings

The Amforge Division of American Brake Shoe Co. offers a 16-page, 2-color brochure on steel forgings. In the forging business for over 50 years, this division operates plants in the West and Midwest for the production of drop, upset, and press forgings. Facilities, quality control, and case histories are emphasized in the new booklet. Write Amforge Div., 109 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago 2, Ill.

Rotating Equipment

Information regarding the principle and use of eddy-current adjustable speed equipment is described in a 16-page bulletin, GB-2, released by Dynamatic Div., Eaton Mfg. Co., Kenosha, Wis.

Included are Ajusto-Spede drives, liquid and air cooled couplings and brakes, Dynaspede stationary field couplings, absorption, motoring universal and variable frequency dynamometers, press drives and special units. Basic principles are detailed of eddy-current machinery, torque, heat and operating characteristics, cooling efficiency and control.

Cast Monel Described

A new technical booklet describing the engineering properties of cast Monel has just been issued by the Development and Research Div. of the International Nickel Co., Inc. 67 Wall St., New York 5, N. Y.

The booklet says cast Monel combines high strength with good ductility and corrosion resistance, and that the material has a tensile strength comparable to carbon steel to give good performance under conditions of abrasion and erosion. Like wrought Monel, cast Monel is a nickel-copper alloy containing about two-thirds nickel. The booklet is available without charge from the company.

Cooling Towers

The questi... "How do cooling towers save you m... is answered in a new catalog on flow-... ling towers, recently published by A... dustries, Inc., Jackson, Mich.

Five models of the company's cooling towers with capacities ranging from 3 through 15 tons are illustrated and described in the new catalog. Advantages of heavy-duty, all-metal galvanized construction are detailed and complete dimensions are given. A clear, simple selection procedure is given to enable the user to pick the model of tower best suited to his purposes.

Temperature Control

Burling Instrument Co., 16 River Rd., Chatham, N. J., has issued Bulletin 104, the fourth in a new series describing its line of temperature controls.

This bulletin covers the Model D-1S, primarily used for controlling temperatures up to 1800 F, where a wide and easily adjustable range is required. The instrument described operates by the differential expansion of solids and uses no filled bulb. A snap-action switch, rated at 15 amp, 125-250 v, 60 cycles, is actuated by the tube expansion through a lever.

Valve Bulletin

A new 20-page bulletin describing many design advancements in its 600 and 880 series of hand and foot valves has been released by Ross Operating Valve Co., Department 3102, 120 East Golden Gate, Detroit 3, Mich. The bulletin, No. 303-B, describes the valves in detail together with installation data, parts lists and exploded views of the valves to show the assembly relationship between parts. Colored air flow diagrams are also provided.

Side Dump Stoker

Riley Stoker Corp., Worcester, Mass., has issued a six-page folder describing its side dump stokers with moving grates for high capacities. The units are powered either by hydraulic or steam drive. Engineering data is given and photographs and diagrams illustrate the equipment.

Threading Stainless Steel

A folder, published by the Tubular Products Div. of Babcock & Wilcox Co., contains information and helpful hints on hand threading stainless steel pipe and tubing. It discusses die stock, dies, speed, cutting oils and the assembly of threaded joints. The folder is intended to assist pipe fitters to obtain satisfactory results when threading stainless tubular products with hand tools on job sites or in provisional field shops away from machine threading facilities. It is available from the division's office at Beaver Falls, Pa.

Engine-Generator Sets

A new bulletin on Le Roi "Custom Built" engine-generator sets is now available. The 8-page promotional piece describes and illustrates seven engine models from 60 to 675 hp with generators capable of producing from 50 to 350 kw.

Engine-generator features outlined in the literature include alternate fuel systems which permit the use of natural gas, LPG, gasoline and gas-gasoline or sludge gas fuels; a choice of radiator, heat exchanger or city water cooling systems; electric, automatic or engine starting; mechanical, full hydraulic or semi-hydraulic governors; and oil pressure and water temperature safety switches. Copies may be obtained from Le Roi Div. of Westinghouse Air Brake Co., 1706 South 68th St., Milwaukee 14, Wis.

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Coal, Ore Handling

Various types of equipment and structures for handling coal, ore and other bulk materials are described in a 32-page illustrated booklet, published by Dravo Corp. The booklet discusses mechanical, electrical and structural features of such equipment as ore and coal bridges, man trolley unloaders, rope-operated towers, replacement trolleys, hydraulic buffers and rail clamps.

Copies of the booklet, entitled Dravo Equipment for Handling Bulk Materials, may be obtained without charge by writing on business letterhead to Dravo Corp., Crane & Bridge Dept., Neville Island, Pittsburgh 25, Pa.

Steel Castings Film

A 37-minute 16-mm full color sound film telling the story of steel castings by Lebanon Steel Foundry, Lebanon, Pa., is available on loan without charge upon request to Modern Talking Picture Service, Inc., 45 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20, N. Y.

The film traces the various steps in making castings. Several animations illustrate what actually happens when intergranular corrosion takes place, and how it is overcome through proper heat treatment.

Tube Furnace Bulletin

Bulletin No. 310, describing high temperature electric tube furnaces for laboratories, has been announced by Burrell Corp., 2223 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh 19, Pa.

Two models and seven sizes of Burrell Unit-Package Tube Furnaces are listed. The furnaces are offered laboratory technicians for use in the determination of carbons-and-sulfurs-by-combustion in ferrous and nonferrous metals. The bulletin gives data on sizes, catalog numbers, dimensions, specifications, ordering data and prices. Separate charts list heating elements required.

Miniature Rigid Controls

Arens Controls, Inc., has produced a two-page illustrated bulletin on the use of its new miniature rigid push-pull controls. Among the uses for the controls described in this bulletin are manual reset operation of inaccessible controls, direct transmission of motion in compact mechanism, power transmission through confined areas and remote indication. Engineering drawings of these applications, as well as general specifications for the controls, are also given. Copies may be obtained by writing to Arens Controls, Inc., 2017 Greenleaf St., Evanston, Ill.

Bronze Bearings

More than 600 of the most widely used sizes (including standard sizes) of oil-retaining porous bronze bearings are listed by size in the new Stock List No. 4 issued by Bound Brook Oil-Less Bearing Co., Bound Brook, N. J. The list is based on the most popular stock sizes produced by the company since 1921 and has been prepared to save the user time by eliminating those bearing sizes which are infrequently used. In addition to listing the most popular sizes of flange, sleeve and thrust bearings, together with cored and solid bar stock, the list provides useful condensed information on application, installation, lubrication and machining.

Gear Set Selection

Selection and ordering information, worm dimensions, gear and spider standards, tool charts and horsepower ratings of standardized Cone-Drive gear sets are contained in 16-page Bulletin 700 available from Cone-Drive Gears Div., Michigan Tool Co., 7171 East McNichols Rd., Detroit 12, Mich. In addition to the standard center distances and reduction ratios available from stock, additional sizes available but not carried in stock are detailed in two pages of tables following the standard listings.

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Automatic Regulators

A four-page bulletin issued by the Atlas Valve Co., 280 South St., Newark, N. J., contains illustrations and descriptive paragraphs on 12 basic control valve types frequently used by the marine and chemical process industries, power generating facilities, and for numerous liquid or gas pressure control applications requiring precise instrumentation by means of automatic regulators.

Among the equipment described are two spring loaded, diaphragm operated and externally controlled steam reducing valves, two automatic valves for air, water or oil and a combination high pressure reducing and relief valve. Other basic types include a weight loaded, lever operated control valve for water, oil, gas or steam, an auxiliary operated float valve, a cam and lever control valve which is piston operated and internally actuated and two versatile spring loaded regulators for temperature and pressure control. Other devices pictured are for temperature control only, and a pneumatic thermostat for use with diaphragm control valves.

Magnetically Driven Centrifugal Pump

A magnetically driven centrifugal pump is described in a four-page bulletin available from The Fostoria Pressed Steel Corp. Called the Dynapump, this fractional-horse-power pump is driven by a rotating magnetic field instead of a drive shaft. The company claims that this type of pump makes possible a low-cost, leakproof unit that eliminates 90 per cent of the difficulties encountered with conventional pumps.

The motor and pump are in one sealed unit, and there is no shaft seal or stuffing box.

Standard units are stainless steel for pumping most fluids. The bulletin describes the characteristics, specifications, and performance of the Dynapump. It is available upon request from The Fostoria Pressed Steel Corp., Fostoria, Ohio.

Piloted Entrainment Burners

Eclipse Fuel Engineering Co., Rockford, Ill., has issued a bulletin covering their Piloted Entrainment Burners. Information concerning construction and specifications, including diagrams and charts, is furnished for the Series 16 PB and 20 PB Burners, and the Series 24 PBE Burner.

These Eclipse Piloted Entrainment Burners are said to be suitable for a variety of heavy-duty applications including forging, heat-treating, and boiler firing. Proportional mixing is incorporated as part of the assembly on these PB and PBE Burners, and is automatic over the entire range of the burner once the air/gas ratio adjusting valve has been set. It is only necessary to vary the air pressure; the gas quantity is varied automatically in the same relationship.

More information is contained in Bulletin H-64, from Eclipse Fuel Engineering Co., 1002 Buchanan St., Rockford, Ill.

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Stainless Steel Piping

A bulletin outlining methods of bending and joining stainless pipe and discussing the problem of light wall versus heavy wall pipe has been issued by the tubular Products Div. of Babcock and Wilcox Co. Also included are a table of dimensions and weights of various stainless pipe size schedules and condensed technical data on mechanical and physical properties of the more popular stainless steels used for piping.

Copies of the bulletin, TB 356, are available free upon request to the division's general sales offices at Beaver Falls, Pa.

Power-Transmission Equipment

A new bulletin which covers American Pulley Co.'s complete line of power-transmission equipment is now available. There are brief descriptions of American's Wedgbelt drives, Shaft-King speed-reduction drives, adjustable-speed sheaves, steel split pulleys, conveyor pulleys, Econ-o-matic motor bases, individual cotton card drives, hi-torque pulleys, collars and shaft hangers. Illustrations accompany each description.

Copies are available upon request from the company, 4200 Wissahickon Ave., Philadelphia 29, Pa.

Hardsurfacing Alloys

Coast Metals, Inc., Little Ferry, N. J., has announced as available a four-page folder containing engineering data on the company's No. 18 alloy, supplied in the form of hardsurfacing weld rods, in cast form, or made to customer specifications. The material, primarily made for steam valve seat trim, has been used in other applications where wear resistance in the presence of heat combined with abrasion or impact, steam erosion or some types of corrosion is desired.

Resin Conversion Chart

A conversion chart for use with phenolic resins to cast industrial parts and consumer items is being made available by the Marblette Corp., 37-21 Thirtieth St., Long Island City 1, N.Y.

The guide utilizes the slide-rule principle to show at a glance the amounts of resin and accelerator required to produce a cast phenolic part of any size. Alongside a listing of Marblette phenolic casting resins, a table shows the percentage by weight of the appropriate hardener to be used with each. Another table covers applications. Information on physical properties and poundage of resin needed per cubic inch or cubic foot are included.

Transformer Connections

Solving network problems by tensor analysis is discussed in a new 16-page bulletin, "Tensors and Transformer Connections," released by Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co. 940 S. 70th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

The first portion describes a method for eliminating magnetizing currents; the second section explains a method of using fictitious single-phase currents to determine transformer connections; the third tells how part one is used in tensor analysis to determine actual amperes flowing in the circuits.

Aluminum Alloy Chart

A handy wall chart showing the new designation system for wrought aluminum and wrought aluminum alloys has been prepared by Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Sales, Inc., and is now available. The new four-digit system, developed by the Aluminum Association, became effective Oct. 1, 1954.

The guide indicates old and new designations in easy-to-read bold type and has been designed as a permanent reference. It may be used either as a wall chart, or punched and inserted in a three-ring binder for filing. It may be obtained from the company, 1924 Broadway, Oakland 12, Calif.

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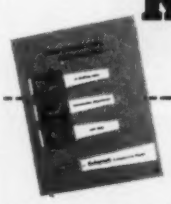

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Often operated at pressures up to 215 psi, with a corresponding temperature of 388°F, a HP-HT system of this type employs a simpler piping design that eliminates the need for pitch, drainage, or traps. It provides a far greater amount of heat transmission for a given pipe size and, since makeup is extremely low, requires no feed-water treatment. Also, when this system is used for processing services, there are no large pressure drops due to sudden load conditions.

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Unit heaters on the HP-HT lines provide for space heating requirements. A shell and tube heat exchanger supplies warm water for lavatories, kitchens, and processing which requires moderate temperatures.

When accumulators are used another important advantage of this system is the storage of steam in excess of the HP-HT demand. This feature is particularly desirable when the load on the turbine from which the steam is extracted or exhausted is not in coincidence with the system's demand. Under these circumstances, steam may be drawn from the accumulators to meet the increased HP-HT requirements. Thus, the need for taking additional steam directly from the steam generating source is decreased or eliminated, with a better plant heat balance as a direct result.

Jenkins Fig. 1010-CM Cast Steel Gate Valves are recommended for the thermostatic steam admission valve shutoffs in this system. For 300 lb. service, at temperatures to 850°F, they are made of carbon molybdenum alloy steel, with stainless steel wedges (up to 8" size) and H-monel seat rings. The rising spindle serves to indicate the position of the wedge. Operating threads are on the outside, allowing easy cleaning and lubrication.

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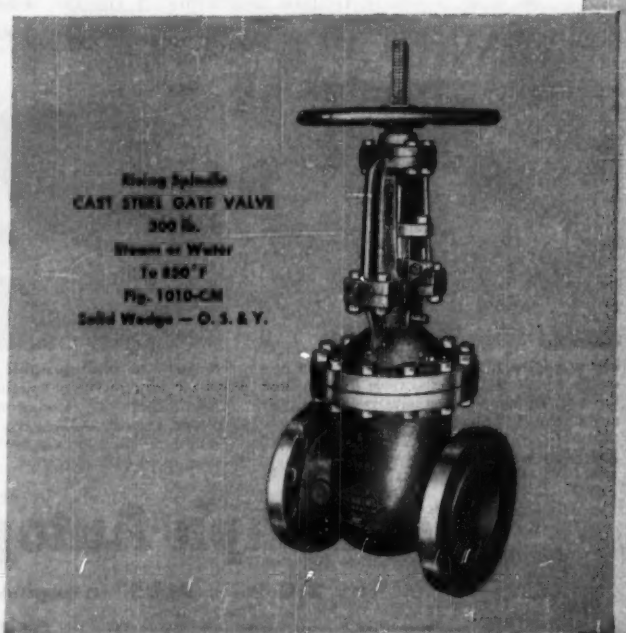

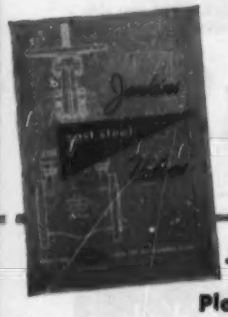

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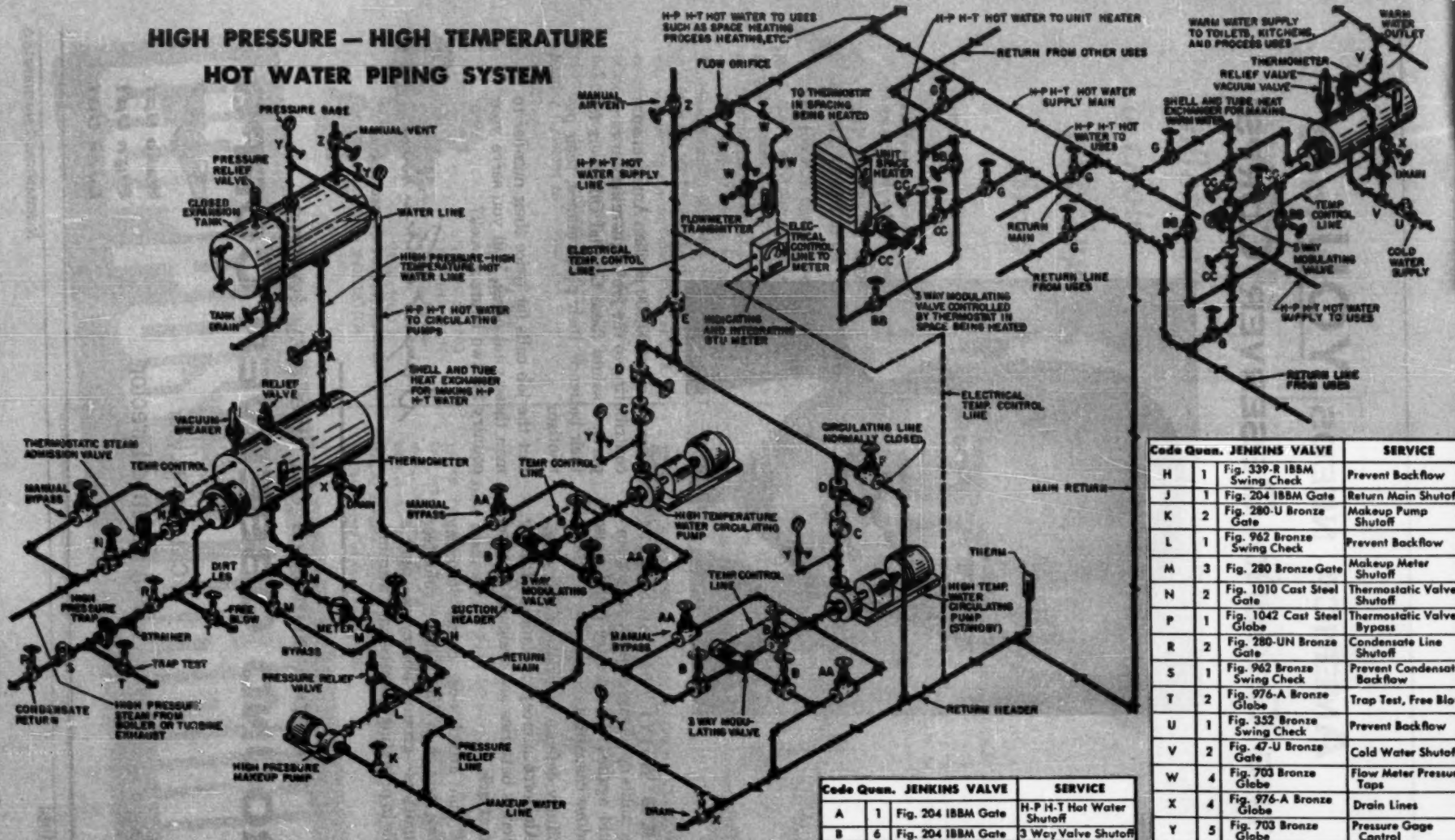

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D	2	Fig. 204 IBBM Gate	Pump Discharge Shutoff
E	1	Fig. 204 IBBM Gate	Supply Line Shutoff
F	1	Fig. 923 IBBM Globe	Circulating Line Shutoff
G	6	Fig. 280 Bronze Gate	Branch Shutoffs

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J	1	Fig. 204 IBBM Gate	Return Main Shutoff
K	2	Fig. 280-U Bronze Gate	Makeup Pump Shutoff
L	1	Fig. 962 Bronze Swing Check	Prevent Backflow
M	3	Fig. 280 Bronze Gate	Makeup Meter Shutoff
N	2	Fig. 1010 Cast Steel Gate	Thermostatic Valve Shutoff
P	1	Fig. 1042 Cast Steel Globe	Thermostatic Valve Bypass
R	2	Fig. 280-UN Bronze Gate	Condensate Line Shutoff
S	1	Fig. 962 Bronze Swing Check	Prevent Condensate Backflow
T	2	Fig. 976-A Bronze Globe	Trap Test, Free Blow
U	1	Fig. 352 Bronze Swing Check	Prevent Backflow
V	2	Fig. 47-U Bronze Gate	Cold Water Shutoff
W	4	Fig. 703 Bronze Globe	Flow Meter Pressure Taps
X	4	Fig. 976-A Bronze Globe	Drain Lines
Y	5	Fig. 703 Bronze Globe	Pressure Gage Control
Z	2	Fig. 976-A Bronze Globe	Air Vents
AA	4	Fig. 923 IBBM Globe	3 Way Valve Bypass
BB	4	Fig. 976-A Bronze Globe	3 Way Valve Bypass
CC	6	Fig. 280 Bronze Gate	3 Way Valve Shutoff

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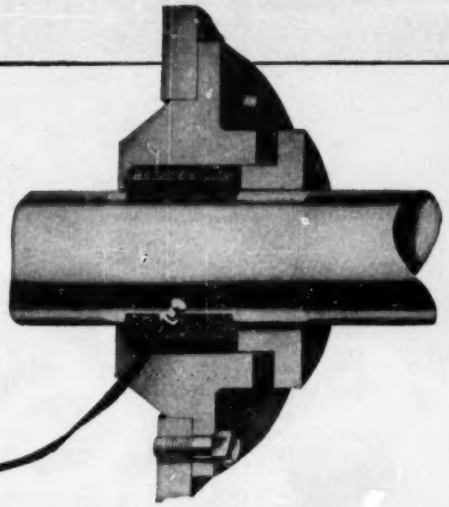

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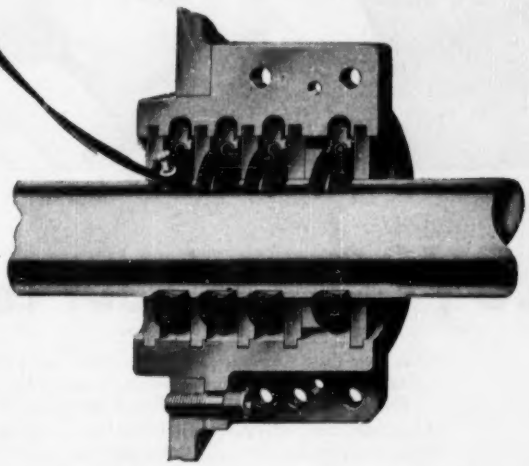

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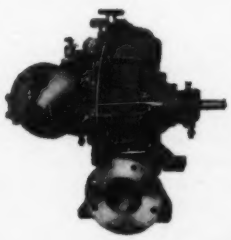

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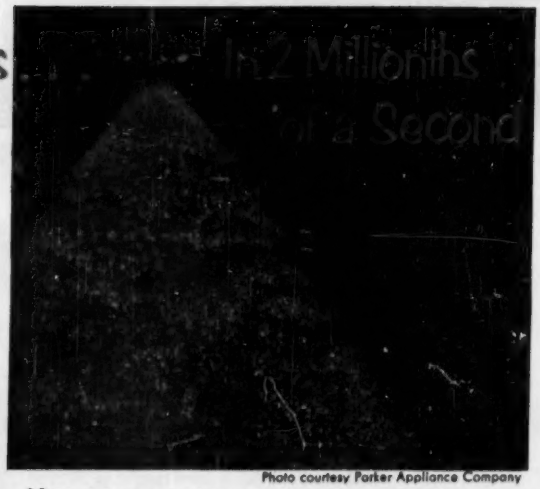

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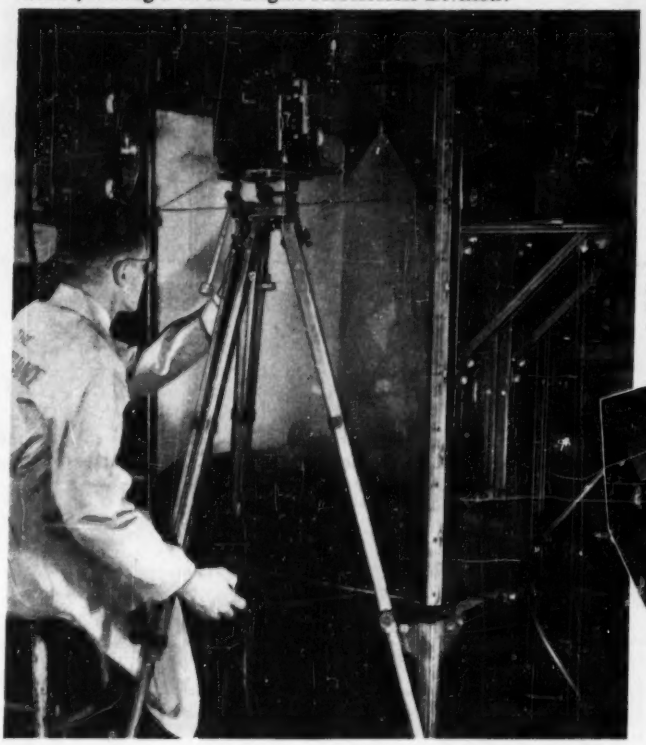

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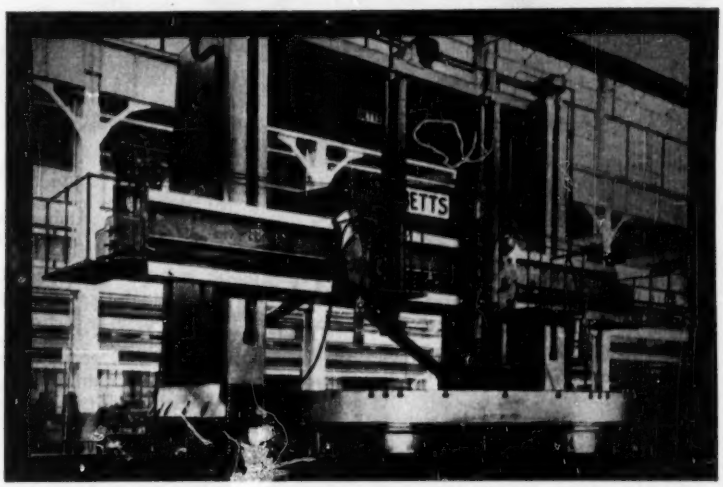

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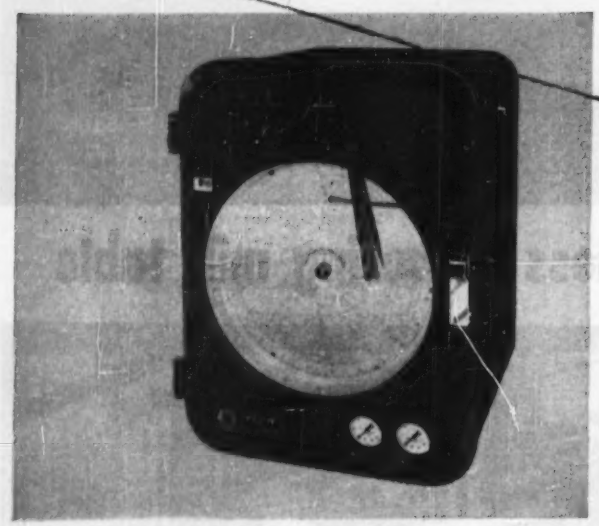

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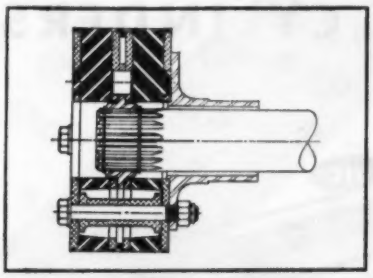
Lord Flexible Coupling Flies With Kaman Helicopter

The Kaman K-5 helicopter presents an interesting application of the LORD J-5329-2 flexible coupling with the Boeing 502-2 gas turbine. The function of the coupling in this case is to absorb the torsional vibrations of the system and isolate the turbine from the rotors. However, the unit also serves to accommodate angular or parallel misalignments due to manufacturing tolerances or dynamic motions.



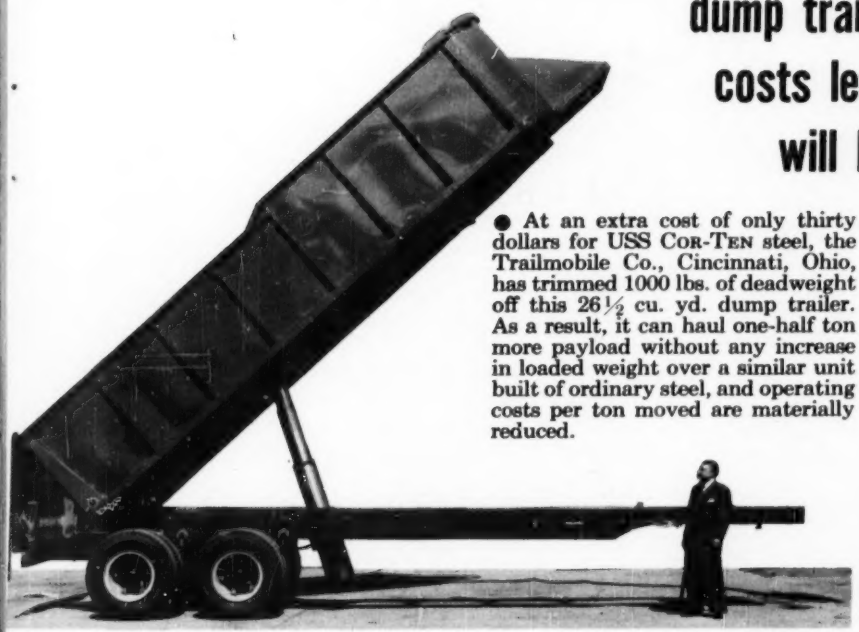
The unique design of the installation provides maximum accessibility and economical maintenance through the use of concentric driving and driven shafts. The inner member of this pair is the engine shaft which drives the coupling hub through a splined connection. Precompressed against the splined hub are the two bonded rubber coupling halves which transmit the engine torque in shear of the rubber. Four through-bolts connect the outer plates of the coupling halves to the driven hub and also serve as the safety interlock in case the rubber sections are destroyed. The first gear of the transmission is mounted on this driven hub and feeds power on through the system in to the helicopter rotors.

For over thirty years the Lord organization has specialized in designing and producing Bonded Rubber Flexible Couplings, Vibration and Shock Control Mountings and Component Parts. The capabilities of Lord Engineering have proved their worth to designers of industrial and automotive equipment in many diversified fields as is indicated in this instance.

New facts for your file on USS HIGH STRENGTH STEELS

Built 1000 lbs. lighter with USS COR-TEN steel

dump trailer hauls more, costs less to operate, will last longer



● At an extra cost of only thirty dollars for USS COR-TEN steel, the Trailmobile Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, has trimmed 1000 lbs. of deadweight off this 26½ cu. yd. dump trailer. As a result, it can haul one-half ton more payload without any increase in loaded weight over a similar unit built of ordinary steel, and operating costs per ton moved are materially reduced.

But USS COR-TEN steel does more than save weight and lower operating costs. Its high yield point of 50,000 psi—one and a half times that of carbon steel—gives the trailer body exceptional strength and toughness. Its much higher resistance to atmospheric corrosion, its superior resistance to abrasion, impact and wear greatly increase durability, keep the trailer on the job and help to prolong its life.

Since its introduction twenty years ago, USS COR-TEN steel has been used by 27 leading builders of trucks and trailers—names famous in the commercial car industry—to produce equipment that is lighter, more durable, able to do more work and cheaper to operate and maintain.

50% stronger and 20% lighter,

concrete forms of USS COR-TEN Steel last almost twice as long as carbon steel, materially reduce shipping costs

On many construction jobs, steel forms to hold concrete in place until it has hardened are now used instead of expensive wasteful forms built up of ordinary construction materials.

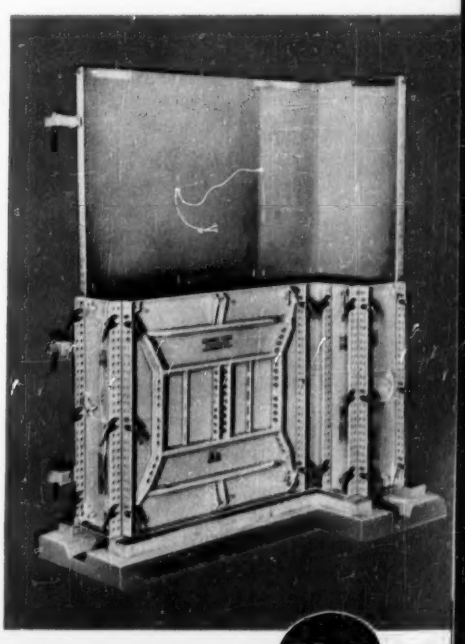
Such steel forms not only speed up work and save labor costs but, because they can be used over and over, save material as well.

A major producer of steel concrete forms is the Economy Forms Corporation, Des Moines, Iowa, which rents forms to contractors. This manufacturer reports that COR-TEN Steel used in their forms since 1948 has effected substantial savings because of its greater strength and higher corrosion resistance as compared to carbon steel.

For example, carbon steel forms, 30" x 30", can withstand a pressure of 1000 lbs. per sq. foot. They weigh 48 lbs. each and last about 6 years. In contrast, COR-TEN Steel forms of the same size, can withstand a pressure of 1,500 lbs. per sq. foot, but they weigh only 38 lbs. each and have a probable life of 8 years. The use of COR-TEN sheets for these forms has reduced the maintenance cost approximately 40%.

Concrete forms are shipped an average of ten times each year and here COR-TEN Steel forms pay further dividends because they weigh less.

Economy Forms Corporation estimates their freight savings to be 10¢ to 12¢ per sq. ft. per year, which runs into a pretty penny when you consider that they have 1,200,000 sq. ft. of forms in use.



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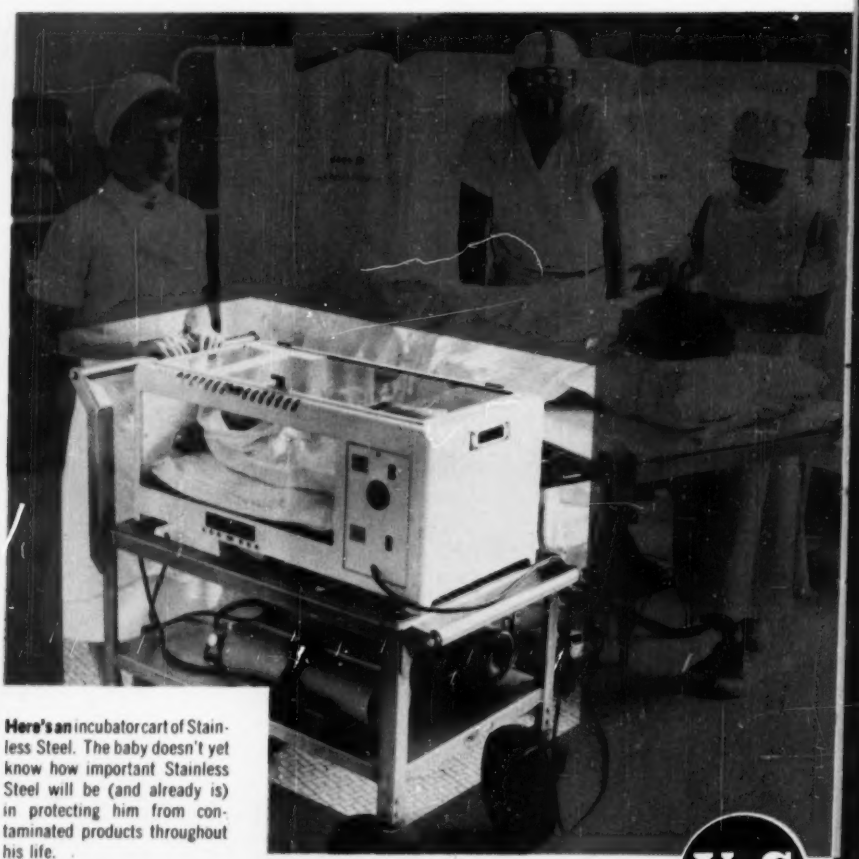
Hospitals depend upon Stainless Steel in kitchens and operating rooms...

it's so easy to keep clean and sanitary

Stainless Steel equipment is vital to the operation of all modern hospitals. The Cook County Hospital in Chicago uses Stainless Steel extensively wherever equipment must be kept clean and sanitary. Only Stainless Steel is so dependably safe and so long lasting. It effectively resists rust and corrosion, is easy to keep clean and shining. All the Stainless products shown here are supplied by Colson Corporation of Elyria, Ohio.

This open-tray truck is also of Stainless Steel. So it will last longer and will be easy to keep clean and good-looking.

Another shining example of Stainless Steel beauty, this battery of food conveyor trucks will see many years of trouble-free service in the Cook County Hospital kitchen.



Here's an incubator cart of Stainless Steel. The baby doesn't yet know how important Stainless Steel will be (and already is) in protecting him from contaminated products throughout his life.

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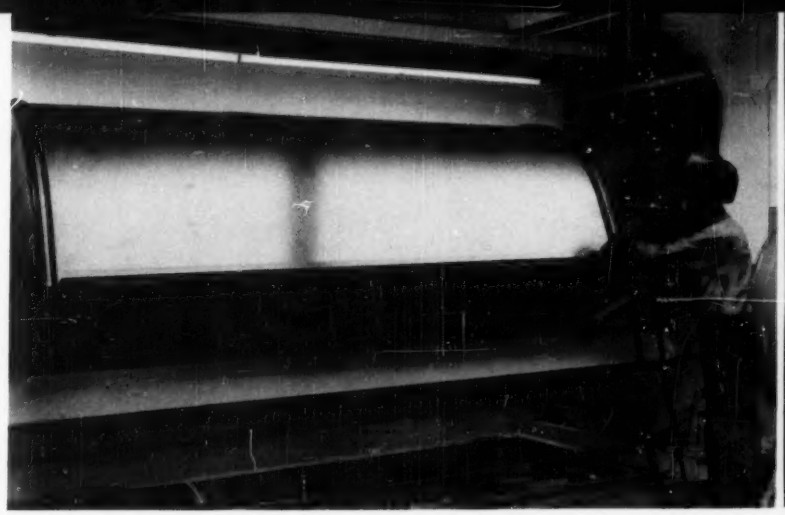


Here's the jig that holds the body sheets while the end sheets are arc welded on.

Frank Ramacier, shop foreman, inspects the finished pasteurizer.

Stainless Steel requires good mechanics, a little care, and good equipment for fabricating

Frank Ramacier, Metal Shop Foreman at the Farwell Metal Fabricating Division of Farwell, Ozman and Kirk Co., St. Paul, has been handling Stainless Steel and other metals for over 20 years. Says he, "If a fellow's a good metal worker, it doesn't take much to teach him how to handle Stainless." He recommends, of course, care in handling and good equipment in good condition.

As an example, let's see exactly how Farwell goes about fabricating a big 500-gallon milk pasteurizer . . .

302 Stainless Steel is used; 18 gage end sheets and 20 gage body sheets.

SHEARING. Paper protection is applied to protect the finish prior to shearing the 49½" x 106" sheets to 49" x 105". A ⅜" capacity shear with blades kept very sharp is used to assure greatest accuracy.

ARC WELDING. Two body sheets are butt welded together to make one body sheet.

NOTCHING. Heavy-duty (60-ton) press is used for top accuracy; notches sheet corners.

FLANGING. Five passes on a 16 gage capacity flanger secure 1" flange on end sheets.

BRAKING. ⅜" capacity brake press is used—again a heavy machine is used to guarantee greater accuracy. Top edge of the end sheets and top edge of the body sheet are flanged to 90°.

ARC WELDING. (second) Welding of the end sheets to body sheet is done on a special jig (see cut) that makes the welding easier and faster. The body sheet is shaped in this jig and is held until the end sheets are welded to it. Top corners are welded together. An outlet is arc welded.

GRINDING. Smoothes and polishes the welds.

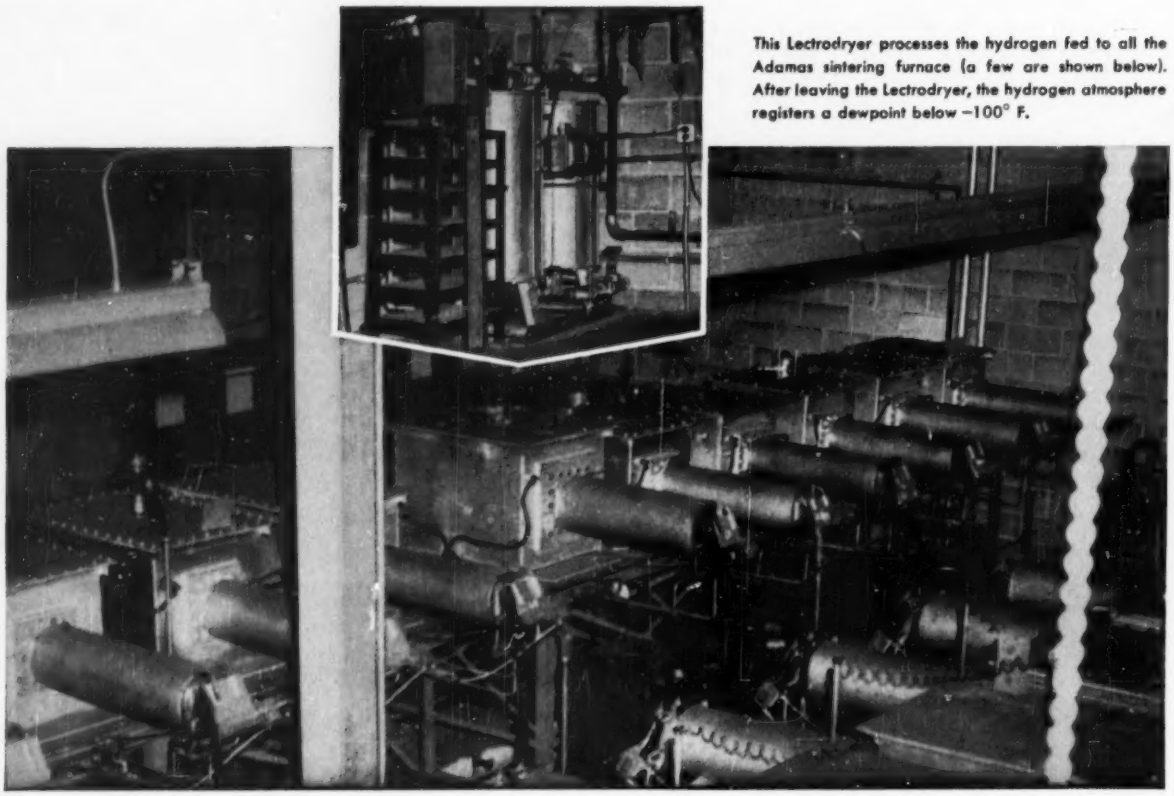
That's it and another non-contaminating, corrosion-resistant Stainless Steel pasteurizer is ready to go to work.

Take advantage of Stainless Steel in your designs and in your selling

Here are just a few examples of how Stainless Steel has been used to improve design, add sales appeal, give better end use results. The wide range of valuable properties available in Stainless Steel makes it the ideal material for many, many jobs.

Put Stainless to work for you. It will pay its own way and give you good return on your investment – especially if it is perfected, service-tested USS Stainless Steel.

USS Stainless Steel offers you the widest possible freedom in selecting the grade, shape and finish to fit your design and fabricating procedure best. And the services of our metallurgical engineers are always at your disposal to help you cut costs and get the best results from USS Stainless Steel.



This Lectrodryer processes the hydrogen fed to all the Adamas sintering furnace (a few are shown below). After leaving the Lectrodryer, the hydrogen atmosphere registers a dewpoint below −100° F.

Adamas Carbide insists on DRY hydrogen for sintering

A hydrogen dried to a dewpoint below −100° F prevents surface oxidizing of carbides being sintered at Adamas Carbide Corporation's ultramodern plant at Kenilworth, New Jersey.

To obtain such dryness, Adamas follows two steps:

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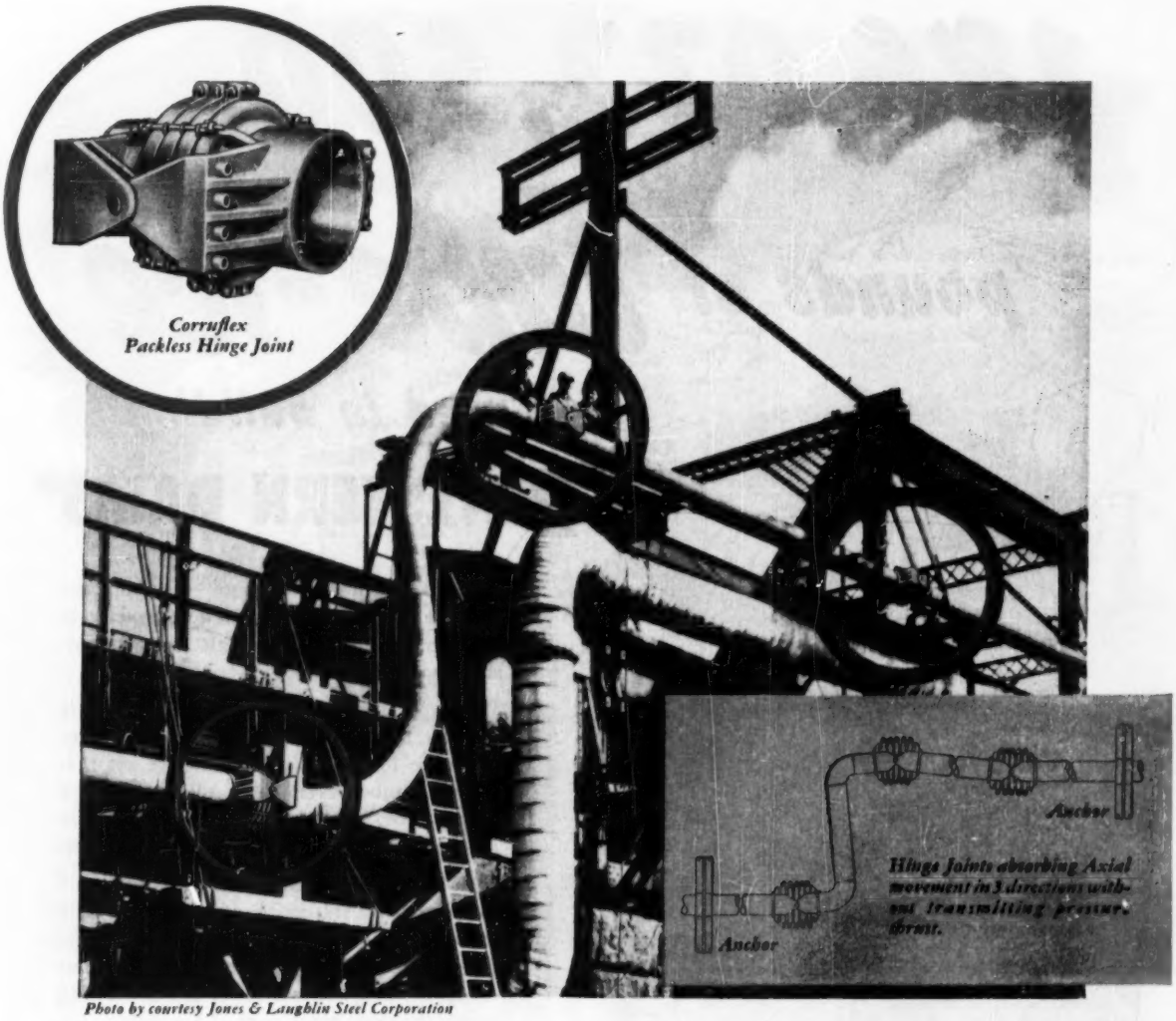

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HINGING A 14" STEAM LINE

● The Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. in Pittsburgh last year had an excess of steam on one side of the Monongahela River and not enough on the other, where it was vitally needed. To correct this condition, J & L engineers planned to construct a high-pressure, superheated steam line along existing bridges and trestles to transmit the excess of steam to the other side.

However, a great difficulty soon appeared. If conventional expansion joints or loops were used at the 90° turns, pressure thrusts at anchor points would have been great enough to damage the bridges and trestles and actually cause these structures to collapse into the river.

Obviously, something else had to be used. With the aid of Adsco's Engineering Department, J & L "hinged" the pipe line with Corruflex Hinge Joints. These joints cannot develop pressure thrust because their two ends are held apart. They permit movement of a pipe line while keeping anchor loads at a minimum. When used properly, as pictured here, they will permit axial motion of one section of pipe line by permitting angular motion of another section.

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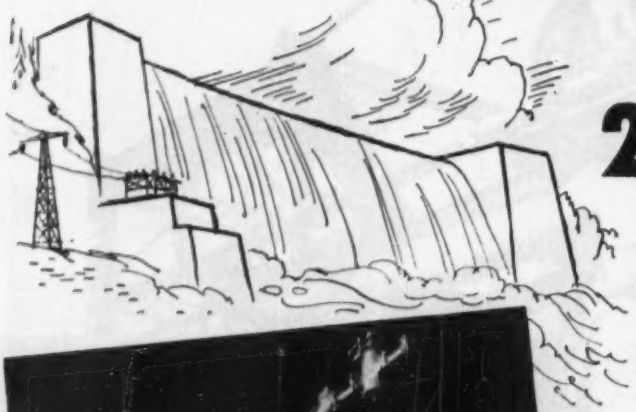

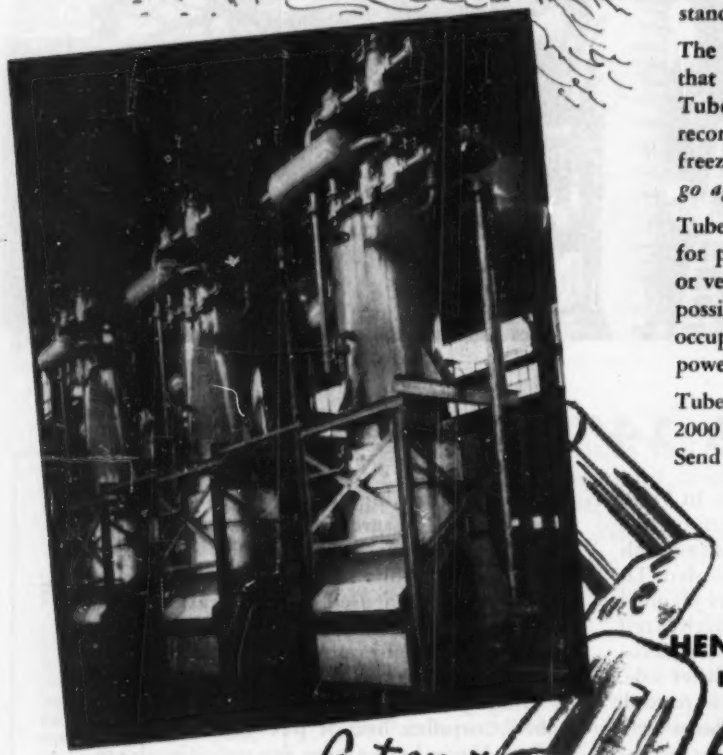

Yes—that much ice was required to cool the concrete mix in order that it set properly to develop its ultimate strength for two outstanding dam structures.

The important part of this message to you is that the compact and readily portable Vogt Tube-Ice Machines pictured here set this record without even the replacement of a freezer tube. What's more, they are *ready to go again* whenever ice is needed in quantity.

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**McNary Dam, Washington, and Pine Flats Dam, California, required a total of 2,730,000 cu. yds. of ice cooled concrete mix.*

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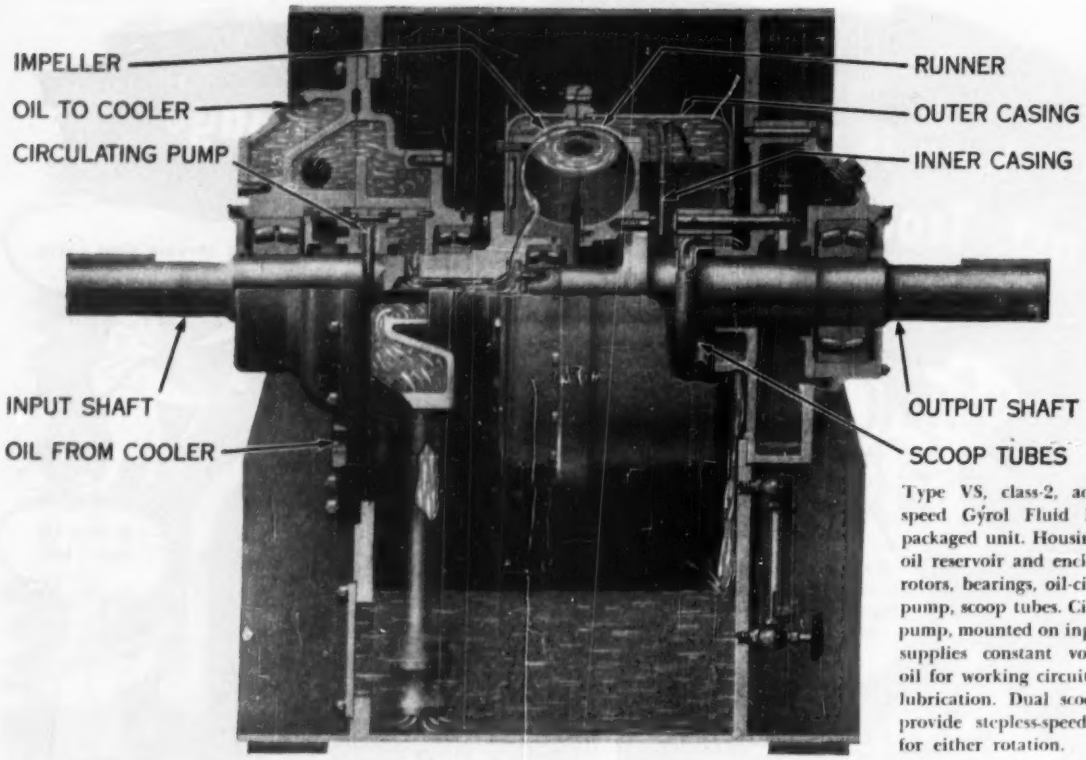

Type VS, class-2, adjustable-speed Gýrol Fluid Drive – a packaged unit. Housing acts as oil reservoir and enclosure for rotors, bearings, oil-circulating pump, scoop tubes. Circulating pump, mounted on input shaft, supplies constant volume of oil for working circuit and for lubrication. Dual scoop tubes provide stepless-speed control for either rotation.

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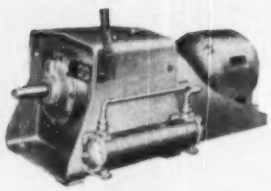

Type VS, class-2, adjustable-speed Gýrol Fluid Drive. Speed range: 5 to 1. Six sizes, 7½ through 800 hp; speeds up to 1,800 rpm. Request Bulletins 9419 and 9519.

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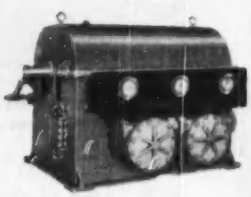

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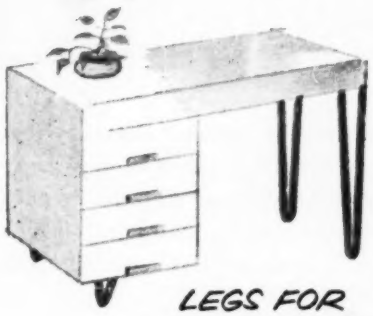

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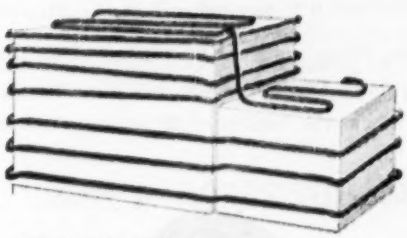

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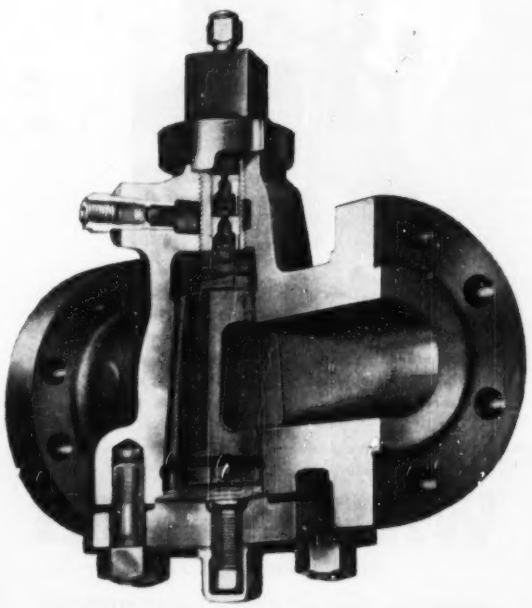
What is the advantage of a lubricated valve?

Sometimes the purpose of lubricant in a valve is misunderstood.

The most important function of lubricant in a Nordstrom valve is to give a *tighter seal* than can be accomplished through any other method yet developed. The thin film of plastic lubricant that is forced around the ports of the plug is a *pressure seal* in itself.

Of course, the lubricant has other obvious advantages . . . the same advantages it has in your automobile, or in any other mechanical equipment where metal rubs metal. The lubricant all but eliminates the possibility of galling or seizing, and consequently keeps the valve ready to operate in a hurry. A lubricated Nordstrom valve operates easily even against high line pressures, because the plug turns *within* the line, rather than being forced or wedged *against* it. Since it takes only a quarter turn of the plug to open or close the valve, it operates in seconds instead of minutes.



Cutaway view of Nordstrom Hypreseal valve

HOW A NORDSTROM VALVE WORKS

In a Nordstrom valve, lubricant is forced through a series of grooves surrounding the plug ports. There it acts as an extra seal against the little leaks that become big problems. It is also forced into a lubricant chamber at the small end of the plug where it serves as a hydraulic jack to keep the plug easy to turn. Finally, it *lubricates* . . . that is, it prevents grinding wear, fills tiny imperfections that may develop, and it lets the plug slide without grating.

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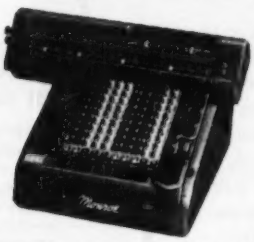

...precision-engineered business machine made even more efficient, and less costly to manufacture through the use of Waldes Truarc Retaining Rings.

Multiplier Dial Assembly

Old Way. One-piece assembly was spun together. Spinning operation was costly, resulted in high scrap loss.

Truarc Way. Two-piece assembly is held together by one Truarc Ring (series 5108). Rejects: practically zero.

Electric Motor Governor

Old Way. Collector Disc assembly was formerly riveted, requiring skilled labor. Riveted Collector Disc could not be removed in the field.

Truarc Way. Truarc Ring (series 5100) replaces rivets, saves labor, material...improves Collector action. Collector Disc is easily replaced.

Intermediate Gear Shaft

Old Way. Washer riveted on end of assembly for zoning control. Costly, troublesome, hard to obtain critical zoning required.

Truarc Way. Truarc E-Ring (series 5133) cuts assembly time, virtually eliminates rejects and final assembly and zoning problems.

Monroe Calculating Machine Company, Orange, N. J. uses various types and sizes of Waldes Truarc Retaining Rings. Use of Truarc has helped eliminate scrap losses, saved on material and labor, and resulted in increased operating and servicing efficiency of the product. Monroe plans to use Truarc Rings for every possible fastening operation on their entire line!

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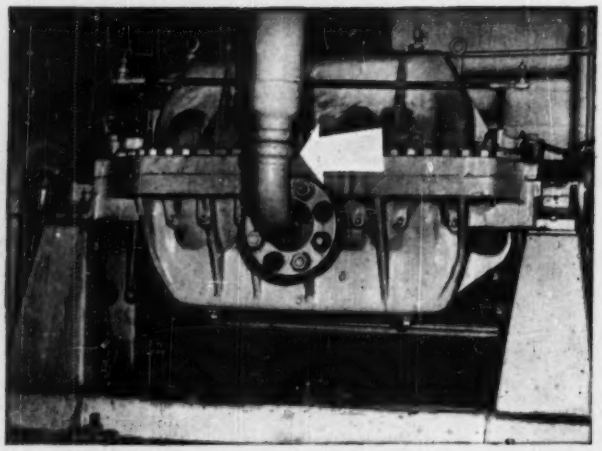

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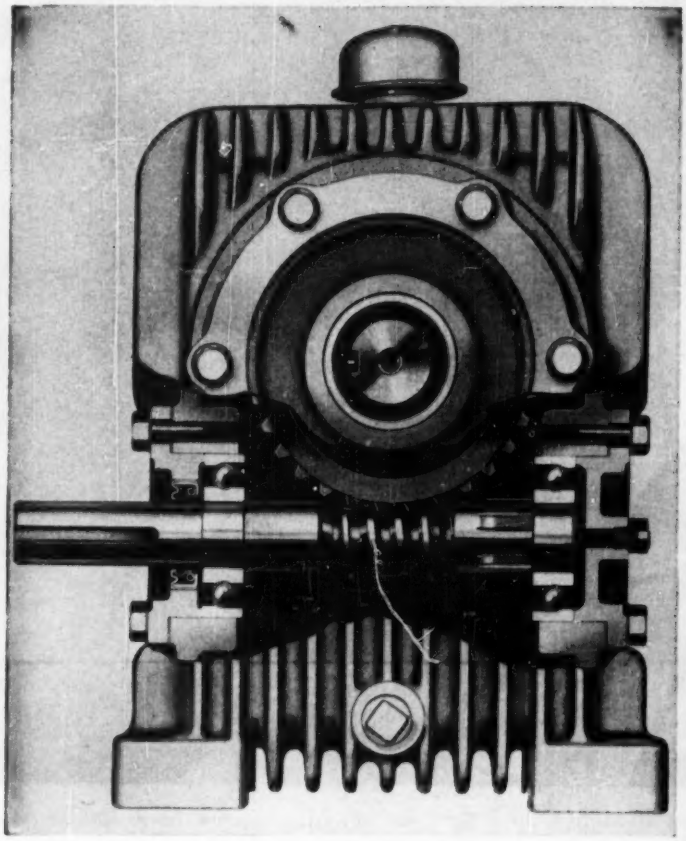

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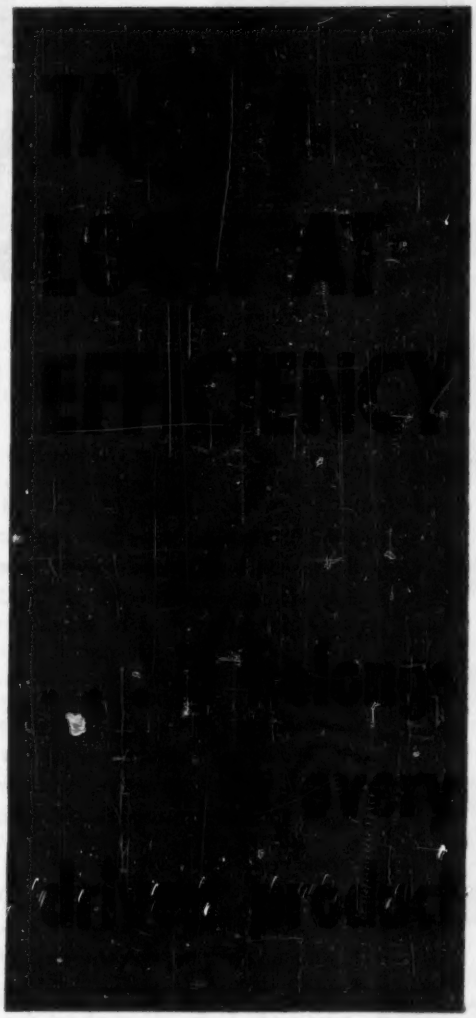

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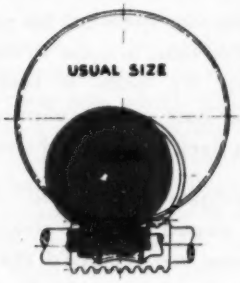

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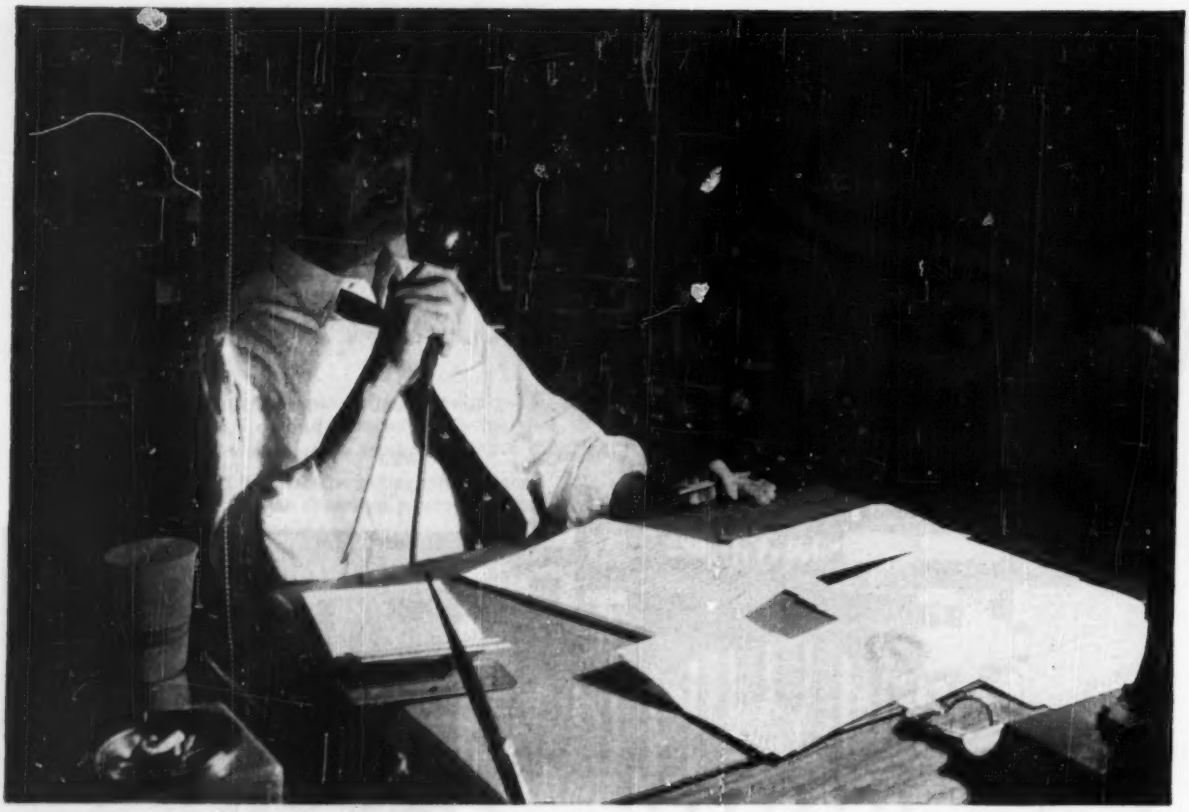

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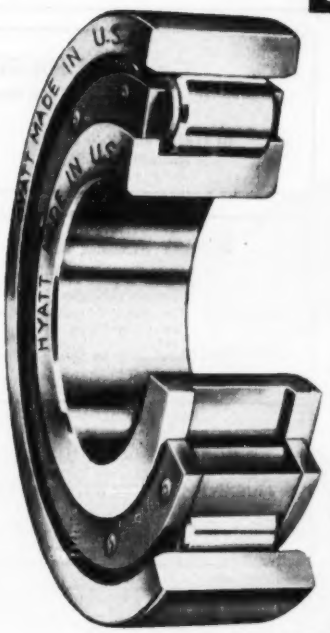

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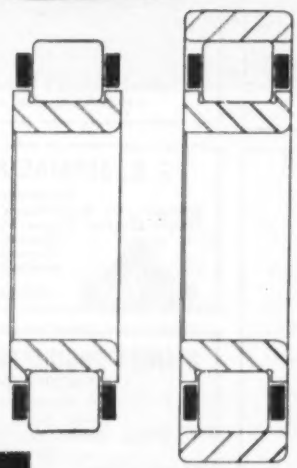

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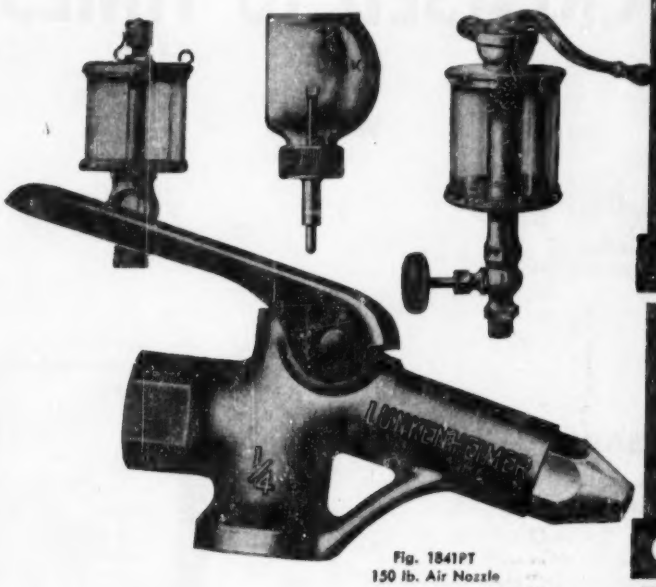

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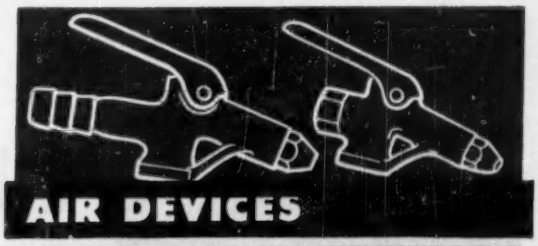

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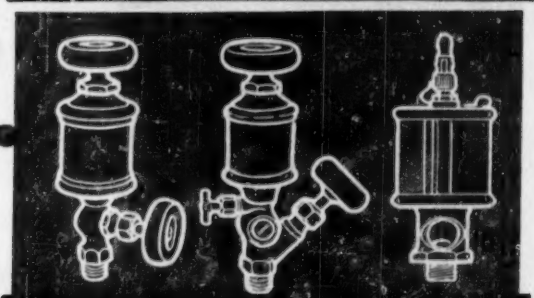

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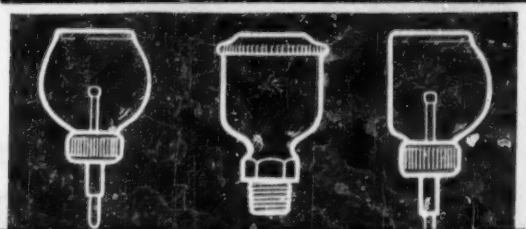

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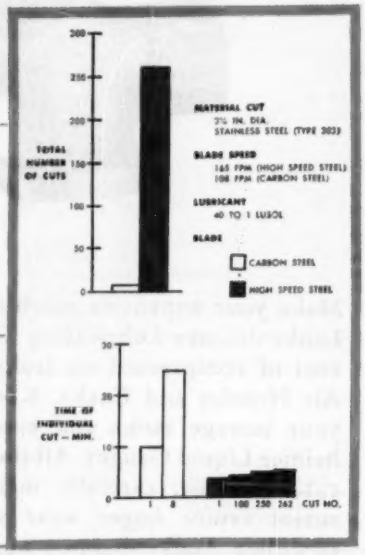

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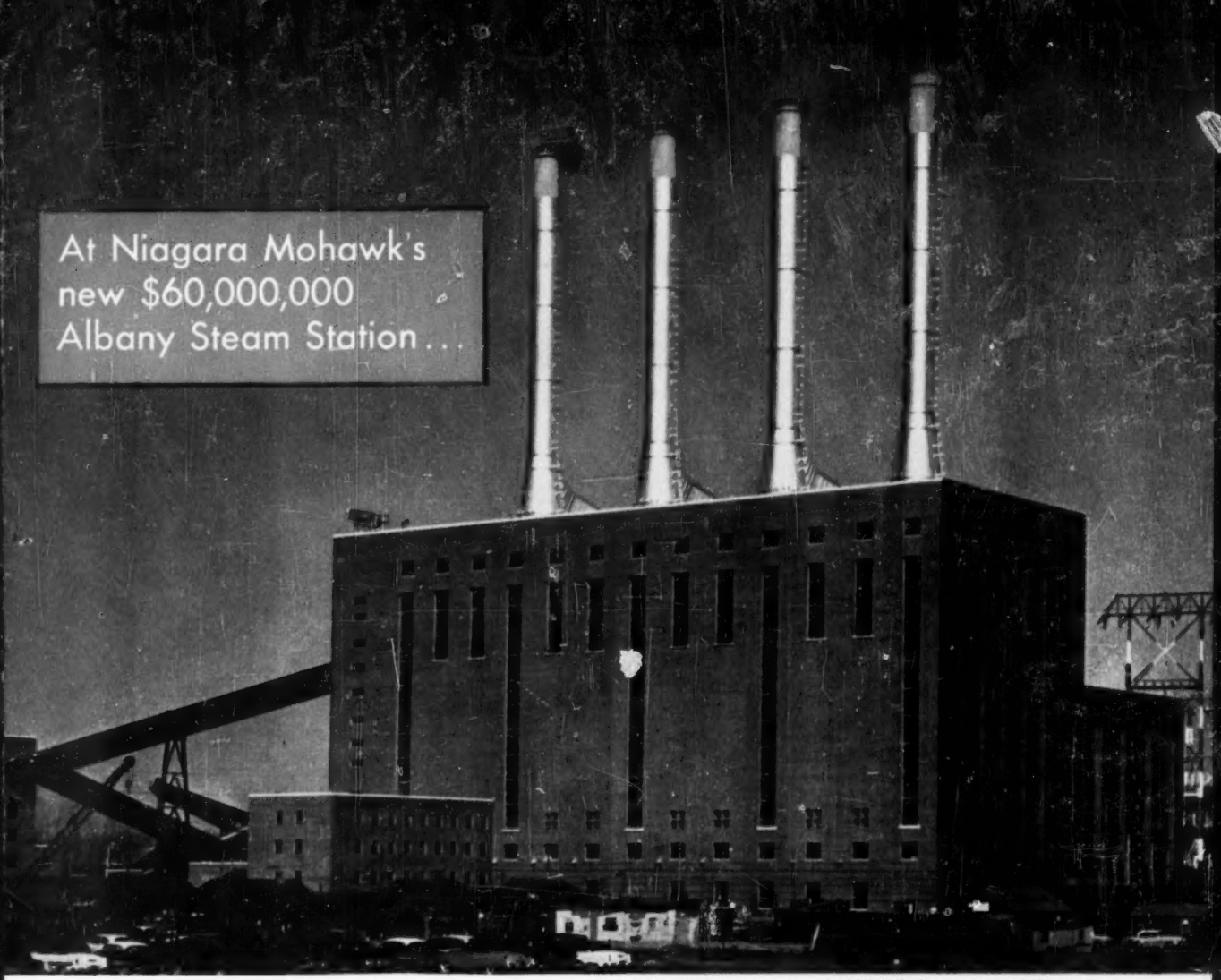

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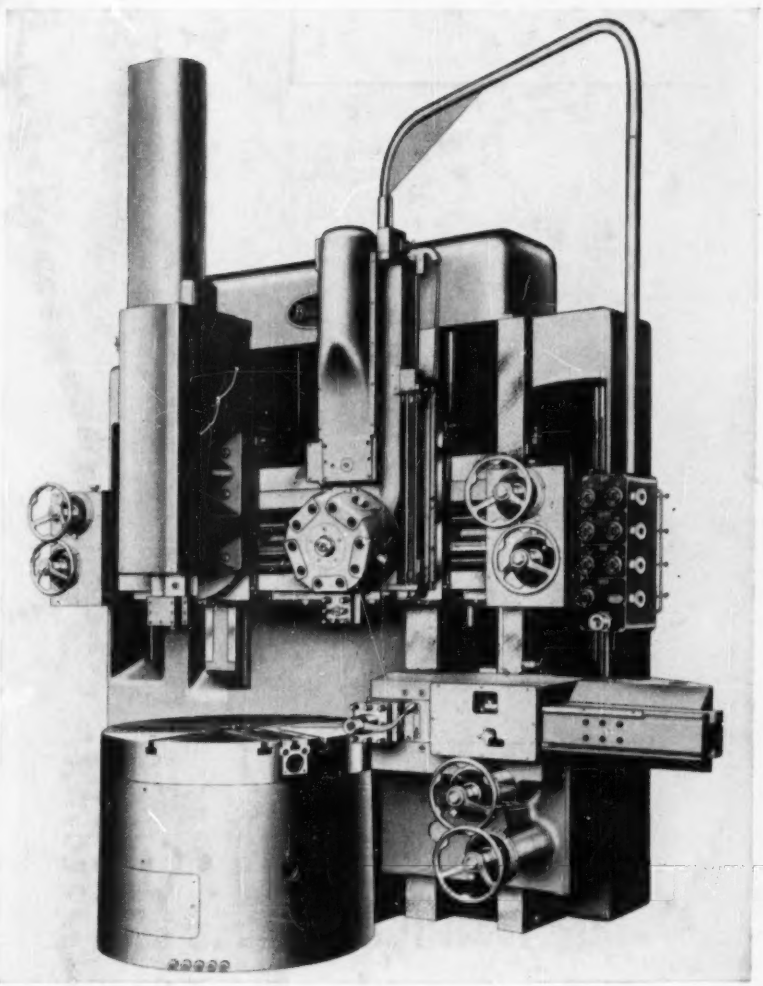

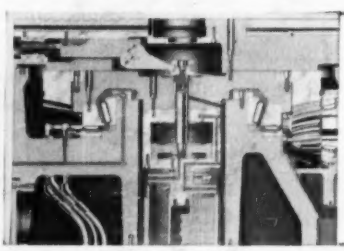

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